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STATE CHAMPS: Tigers top New Albany 1-0 for Class 4A state soccer title



PHOTO COURTESY OF THE MISSISSIPPI HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION
Bay High Tigers soccer team.

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
STAFF WRITER

The Bay High Tigers successfully defended their Class 4A state championship by defeating New Albany 1-0 on Saturday at Ridgeland High School for the program's third state title. And, as Bay High hoisted the gold ball following the match, the program became the first in the school's athletic history to win back-to-back state championships.

Bay High head coach Chris Doxey commented, "It feels really

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Long-time Echo editor & general manager named publisher

ECHO STAFF

Long-time Sea Coast Echo editor and general manager Geoff Belcher has been promoted to publisher, effective Feb. 15.

"I'm pleased and humbled to be named publisher," Belcher said. "I'm proud of this newspaper and the people who work here. We'll continue to work hard to make this the best newspaper it can be for the people of Hancock County."



Geoff Belcher

Lancaster Management Inc. has owned the Sea Coast Echo since 1968.

LMI Vice-President John Lancaster said Belcher's promotion is "long overdue."

"We have the utmost confidence in Geoff Belcher," Lancaster said. "We look forward to great days with him at the helm of the Sea Coast Echo. We've got a great staff and are looking forward to continue being the leading source of news and information in the area."

Belcher, a Kentucky native, joined the Echo staff in July 1999, af-

ter working for a sister newspaper, the Appalachian News-Express.

Belcher came to the Echo after falling in love with it and the city of Bay St. Louis when the two papers started exchanging subscriptions.

"I decided I needed to live in a place where they put the tide schedules on the front page," Belcher said. "I immediately began a campaign to get transferred and aggravated then-Publisher Ellis Cuevas until he gave in and hired me."

Belcher was the Echo's news editor through both the greatest natural disaster in the nation's history, Hurricane Katrina; and the nation's greatest man-made disaster, the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.

Belcher is a graduate of the University of Kentucky. His wife, Sandra, works for the Hancock County branch of the District Attorney's Office. They reside with their daughter in Bay St. Louis.

Black History Month: Gulfside Assembly leads celebration of Black Art and Culture



PHOTO BY GEOFF BELCHER | SEA COAST ECHO
The Mitchell Girls performed a dance routine during Saturday's Black History and Cultural Celebration at the Valena C. Jones school building in Bay St. Louis. The event was organized by Gulfside Assembly.

BY GEOFF BELCHER
PUBLISHER

In recognition of Black History Month, Gulfside Assembly and its community partners on Saturday hosted a Black History and Cultural Celebration at the Boys and Girls Club, located in the historic Valena C. Jones School building in Bay St. Louis.

"The ceremony on Saturday I think was great, which was especially important because we had the children involved doing their presentations," Gulfside Assembly Ex-

ecutive Director Cheryl Thompson said.

The event celebrated Black history, art and culture, with art exhibitions, dancers, speeches on Black culture and history and a special performance of "We Shall Overcome" by a group from the Boys & Girls Club.

Thompson also spoke about Valena C. Jones, the namesake of the Boys & Girls Club's host building, who was an

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Today
69°

Low Temperature 57°F
88% Chance of Rain
Humidity 82%

High Tide
11:09 pm @ 1.41 ft
Low Tide
09:32 am @ -0.33 ft



Feb. 23
69°

Low Temperature 54°F
82% Chance of Rain
Humidity 69%

High Tide
11:51 pm @ 1.28 ft
Low Tide
10:11 am @ -0.2 ft



Feb. 24
67°

Low Temperature 48°F
No Chance of Rain
Humidity 57%

High Tide
10:45 am @ -0.03 ft
Low Tide



Feb. 25
52°

Low Temperature 32°F
No Chance of Rain
Humidity 62%

High Tide
12:32 am @ 1.12 ft
Low Tide
11:13 am @ 0.16 ft



Feb. 26
68°

Low Temperature 57°F
No Chance of Rain
Humidity 80%

High Tide
01:20 am @ 0.92 ft
Low Tide
11:26 am @ 0.39 ft



Feb. 27
68°

Low Temperature 62°F
87% Chance of Rain
Humidity 87%

High Tide
02:47 am @ 0.69 ft
Low Tide
01:51 pm @ 0.62 ft



Feb. 28
67°

Low Temperature 53°F
76% Chance of Rain
Humidity 69%

High Tide
01:48 pm @ 0.82 ft
Low Tide



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Former Economy Inn managers sentenced to prison for selling drugs from the Bay hotel

ECHO STAFF

Two former managers at the Economy Inn in Bay St. Louis were sentenced today for their involvement in a conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute drugs containing methamphetamine and fentanyl from the hotel.

Pernell Robert Galloway, 54, was sentenced to 131 months in prison, and Cassie Louise McKenzie, 42, was sentenced to 115 months in prison.

According to court documents, in 2023, law enforcement agents received information that Galloway and McKenzie, who were managers at the Economy Inn on Hwy 90 in Bay St. Louis, were selling drugs from the hotel. Fur-

ther investigation revealed they were selling a methamphetamine/fentanyl mixture. On June 8, 2023, agents conducted a search and found 14 grams of a methamphetamine/fentanyl mixture in two separate bags, as well as a firearm, digital scales, and additional unused distribution baggies.

According to the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, fentanyl is approximately 100 times more potent than morphine and 50 times more potent than heroin. The DEA reports that two milligrams of fentanyl can be lethal, and one kilogram of fentanyl has the potential to kill 500,000 people. More facts on fentanyl can be found at <https://www.dea.gov/resources/facts-about-fentanyl> and

<https://www.dea.gov/resources/facts-about-fentanyl>.

Galloway and McKenzie were indicted by a federal grand jury and they subsequently pled guilty to possession with intent to distribute a controlled substance.

U.S. Attorney Todd W. Gee of the Southern District of Mississippi and Acting Special Agent in Charge Michael J. Arnett of the Drug Enforcement Administration made the announcement.

The case was investigated by the Drug Enforcement Administration and the Hancock County Sheriff's Office.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Erica Rose is prosecuting the case.

Chamber to cut ribbon on Business Resource Center

ECHO STAFF

The Boards of the Hancock Chamber of Commerce and the Hancock County Community Development Foundation will host a joint ribbon cutting with the City of Bay St. Louis to celebrate the official opening of the Business Resource Center (BRC). The event will be on Tuesday, February 27th at 4pm. The Center is located on the first floor of Historic City Hall at 300 South Second Street.

The BRC is made possible through a partnership with the City of Bay St. Louis and the Hancock Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber, working through the Hancock County Community Development Foundation, manages the Center as a pro bono service to the citizens of Hancock County. Recently, the City Council approved a proposed rental agreement that opens the center up for non-profits and governmental agencies to utilize the center at no cost to promote business growth in the region. For-profit companies may also utilize the facility for a rental fee of \$100 for a four-hour shift and \$300 as a day rate.

The Center is now fully operational, thanks to a generous donation of \$10,000 from the members of Coast Electric Power Association through the Community Trust Operation Round-up Grant, secured by the Hancock Chamber. So far, the Chamber and Foundation have spent close to \$13,000 on furnishings, the internet and equipment to bring the Center into full operation.

The Center is open during normal business hours and by appointment as scheduled through the Chamber. The Foundation provides internet services for the Center at no cost to the City or citizens utilizing the Center. The Chamber will manage the Center through a fund set up with the Hancock County Community Development Foundation. Any grants, donations and fees will be paid to the Foundation to support expenses of the Center.

“The purpose of the center is to provide a dignified space for the community to work together to promote the social, civic and economic health of the City and business community,” said Ray Wesson, President of the Foundation.

Wesson said 45 business leaders in the community worked together to develop the operational plan and rental agreement that was approved by the City Council. "As business leaders, we strongly believe that non-profits, governmental entities and business

Moran sentenced in exploitation case

ECHO STAFF

Former Diamondhead City Councilman Alan Moran was sentenced on Friday to 30 days in the county jail, with six months suspended in a 2022 case where he was accused of “touching” a teenager.

On Feb. 7, Moran pled guilty to charges related to a 2022 incident in which he allegedly touched a 17-year-old inappropriately. Moran pled to one count of exploitation/solicitation of a minor and one count of contributing to the delinquency of a minor.



Alan Moran

Moran, 36, was arrested in February 2022 on one misdemeanor count of simple assault — causing bodily injury; and one count of contributing to the delinquency

of a child for allegedly “touching” and buying alcohol for a 17-year-old boy. In March 2022, the alleged victim’s family filed a lawsuit against Moran in the case, seeking unspecified damages. That case is still pending.

Moran resigned from the city council, stating in a letter to the council that "In light of the current groundless allegations, I feel that this could and would become a distraction in my ability to represent and serve the citizens and the city of Diamondhead, therefore I will resign as Ward 2 councilman, effective

immediately.”

Moran was indicted on additional charges related to the incident in March 2023, including touching a child for lustful purposes and transmitting sexually explicit material to a minor.

In Friday's sentencing hearing, Moran received a 15-year suspended sentence with five years of probation, in addition to the 30 days in jail.

He must also register as a sex offender for life, delete all social media accounts and pay more than \$4,000 in fines and fees.

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THE EMILY DE MONTLUZIN FOREIGN LANGUAGE SCHOLARSHIP TURNS FORTY

SPECIAL TO THE ECHO

The Emily de Montluzin Foreign Language Scholarship Fund will this spring celebrate the fortieth anniversary of its presentation of awards to superior college-bound seniors from Hancock County high schools who have excelled in the study of foreign languages for at least two years and undertake to continue the study of the same or another language in their freshman year in college.

On 30 June 1983, at a reception on the occasion of Emily de Montluzin’s retirement as a French and Latin teacher at Bay Senior High School, friends and former students announced the establishment of the Emily de Montluzin Foreign Language Scholarship in her honor.

That evening she told a large audience of well-wishers, “People often say to college students, ‘Don’t be a teacher! You can have a much brighter future in almost anything else!’ But I can say only that I have loved being a teacher—that I wouldn’t for anything have missed know-

ing so many marvelous boys and girls and their parents—and that a celebration like this one tonight could happen only to a teacher!

“How delighted I am, after so many happy years of teaching,” she added, that “I can enjoy the prospect that many, many students will be assisted in their college careers, encouraged in their love of languages, and no doubt inspired to travel to Europe thanks to the fund that has been established in my name tonight!”

Since that night, the Emily de Montluzin Foreign Language Scholarship has been presented to 36 superior college-bound seniors from Hancock County high schools, and several of them have been two-time winners.

From its initial amount of \$500 the award has now grown tenfold to a \$5,000 scholarship, thanks in large part to many donations. The winners, chosen in a rigorous competition by the scholarship’s board of directors, may use the award at any college of the recipient’s choice.

The reception on that

June night in 1983 had been organized in secret by Emily de Montluzin’s former student Keith S. Folse, now a retired professor of English as a Second Language at the University of Central Florida and a member of the Scholarship Board, and by her Bay Senior High colleague, Mary Lee Lagarde. It was preceded by speeches delivered by her students—in French by Mary Langenbacker, the first scholarship winner and now an Ocean Springs attorney and Vice-President of the Board, with English translation supplied by Stephanie Power; and in Latin by Adam Sleaf, with English translation by Tiffany Ward—as well as by the presentation of citations of appreciation from the mayors of Bay St. Louis and Waveland.

Awards over the years have been given to students embarking on a variety of careers that benefit directly or indirectly from knowledge of foreign languages, including diplomatic and government service, international business, teaching, law, medicine, nursing, engineering,

and translating Russian.

A number of winners have been accepted into the highly selective Croft Institute of International Studies at the University of Mississippi.

Some scholarship recipients have chosen to continue their study of French, Spanish, German, or Latin begun in their high-school classrooms. Others have embarked on acquiring additional languages such as ancient Greek, Italian, Russian, and Japanese; and several have entered intensive programs to acquire fluency in Korean, Chinese, and Arabic.

Many have taken advantage of their scholarship awards to spend one or two semesters of study abroad, perfecting their speaking skills in the languages of their choice and acquiring personal knowledge of the culture of their host countries. They have ridden camels, conversed with shopkeepers in bazaars, swum in the Mediterranean, and walked the Great Wall of China.

Several have pursued graduate or professional studies at the Master’s or doctoral level.

“While it is an hon-



Photo submitted
Emily de Montluzin, taken on 7 August 2015, at the age of 100.

or to thrust a deserving student forward, the true joy in what makes this foundation unique is the connection we make with our scholars, who stay in touch and update us through the years,” says Joseph Wusnach, a chemist in Alabama and President of the Board.

The fortieth anniversary of the presentation of the scholarship is in many ways a celebration of the career of the late Emily de Montluzin, who died in 2020 at the age of 105 after many years of post-retirement traveling to Europe and

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important figure in Hancock County’s history.

“The Valena C Jones School has served as the Center of the rich Educational, Cultural, Political, Social and Historical heritage for thousands of minority families,” according to the petition the Friends of the school circulated last year, successfully lobbying to get the school recognized as a state landmark in April 2023. “The Valena C Jones School has served families in Hancock County and Bay St Louis in particular.”



Photo by Geoff Belcher | Sea Coast Echo
Singers from the Boys and Girls Club perform “We Shall Overcome.”

Valena Cecelia MacArthur Jones was born in Bay St Louis, MS in 1872. After graduating in 1892 from Straight College, a historically black college in New Orleans, she was named principal of the then-Bay St Louis Negro School in 1892. Later, the school would be named in her honor. The school operated for 80 years from 1892 to the last graduating class of 1969. From 1969 to 1972, the school served as a primary school until its closing.

After that, the property served as the headquarters for both the Bay St. Louis Fire Department and Bay St. Louis Police Department until Hurricane Katrina struck in 2005. Since then, the site has served as the home of the Hancock

County branch of the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Gulf Coast.

The celebration continued on Sunday and will continue throughout the month at Studio Waveland Art Gallery, Thompson said, where she has a display of Black dolls, quilts and other artworks.

“The event (on Sunday) was phenomenal,” Thompson said. “We had a packed house.” The exhibit includes African dolls from all over the world, Thompson said.

“Valena C. Jones’s granddaughter gave me her doll collection. I have that on exhibit in a special place. As I started planning it, I found that there were many members of the community who collect Black dolls. Many of them will be in the exhibit.

“We also have art from several local artists, and some from Africa. We have home-made quilts by Laverne Clementin, they’re extraordinary. ... She also has a Black doll collection.”

The exhibit will be open again on Thursday, Feb. 29, from 2 to 5 p.m. at Studio Waveland, located at 228 Coleman Ave., Waveland. For more on the celebration of Black History and Culture, go to www.gulf-sideassembly.org or call 228-206-1750.

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- Location: Powerhouse of Deliverance Ministries

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UM Announces Fall 2023 Chancellor’s and Dean’s Honor Roll

SPECIAL TO THE ECHO

The University of Mississippi announced students named to the Fall 2023 Honor Roll lists, including Chancellor’s Honor Roll, which is reserved for students who earn a semester GPA of 3.75-4.00.

Mary Viener, of Diamondhead, MS, majoring in Accountancy.

Haven Jarvis, of Bay St. Louis, MS, majoring in Communication Sciences/Disorders.

Emily Perniciaro, of Bay St. Louis, MS, majoring in Dietetics and Nutrition.

Caroline Tibbs, of Diamondhead, MS, majoring in Integrated Marketing Communications.

Chase Berger, of Bay St. Louis, MS, majoring in Electrical Engineering.

Caroline Maillho, of Diamondhead, MS, majoring in Chemical Engineering.

Hart Amlingmeyer, of Bay St. Louis, MS, majoring in Law Studies.

Cecylia Williams, of Bay St. Louis, MS, majoring in Civil Engineering.

Rachel Rowe, of Diamondhead, MS, majoring in Accountancy.

Katherine Tibbs, of Diamondhead, MS, majoring in Exercise Science.

McKinley Bowers, of Bay St. Louis, MS, majoring in Allied Health Studies.

Colleen Nolan, of Diamondhead, MS, majoring in Chemical Engineering.

Jessica Johnson, of Diamondhead, MS, majoring in Journalism.

Sean Osteimer, of Diamondhead, MS, majoring in Mechanical Engineering.

Ella Key, of Diamondhead, MS, majoring in General Business.

Avalon Madden, of Bay St. Louis, MS, majoring in Mechanical Engineering.

Madeline Willis, of Bay St. Louis, MS, majoring in Accountancy.

Meena Done, of Diamondhead, MS, majoring in Criminal Justice.

Arden Pierce, of Bay St. Louis, MS, majoring in Geology.

Rebecca Baxter, of Bay St. Louis, MS, majoring in Accountancy.

Madison Murray, of Bay St. Louis, MS, majoring in Elementary Education.

“The remarkable students achieving Chancellor’s Honor Roll are among the best and brightest at the University of Mississippi,” said Chancellor Glenn Boyce. “I commend them for their hard work and dedication resulting in their outstanding academic achievements and this well-deserved recognition.”

In order to be eligible for honor roll designation, a student must have completed at least 12 graded hours for the semester and may not be on academic probation during the semester.

The University of Mississippi announced students named to the Fall 2023 Honor Roll lists, including Dean’s Honor Roll.

Annie Bean, of Bay St. Louis, MS, majoring in Integrated Marketing Comm., is one of the students on the Dean’s Honor Roll, which is reserved for students who earn a semester GPA of 3.50-3.74.

Eli Bigham, of Bay St. Louis, MS, majoring in Freshman Studies.

Billy Coghlan, of Diamondhead, MS, majoring in General Business.

Ashlynn Davis, of Bay St. Louis, MS, majoring in General Business.

Charles Fairley, of Bay St. Louis, MS, majoring in Accountancy.

Brady Favre, of Bay St. Louis, MS, majoring in Integrated Marketing Comm.

Brian Majorovits, of Diamondhead, MS, majoring in Computer Science.

Laila Melton, of Diamondhead, MS, majoring in Forensic Chemistry.

William Rogers, of Bay St. Louis, MS, majoring in Film Production.

Hutton Scharp, of Diamondhead, MS, majoring in Law Studies.

Lauren Willis, of Bay St. Louis, MS, majoring in Accountancy.

In order to be eligible for honor roll designation, a student must have completed at least 12 graded hours for the semester and may not be on academic probation during the semester.

The University of Mississippi, affectionately known as Ole Miss, is the state’s flagship university. Included in the elite group of R1: Doctoral Universities - Highest Research Activity by the Carnegie Classification, it has a long history of producing leaders in public service, academics and business. Its 16 academic divisions include a major medical school, nationally recognized schools of accountancy, law and pharmacy, and an Honors College acclaimed for a blend of academic rigor, experiential learning and opportunities for community action. Recognized among the nation’s most beautiful, Ole Miss’ main campus is in Oxford, which is routinely acknowledged as one of the country’s best college towns.

Former sheriff’s employee sues, claiming she was fired for political reasons, reporting hostile work environment

SEA COAST ECHO

A former Hancock County Sheriff’s Office employee has sued Sheriff Ricky Adam, claiming she was fired for political reasons.

According to the suit Teresa L. Osbourn v. Hancock County Mississippi; Sheriff Ricky Adam, filed in Hancock Circuit Court, “Osbourn worked for the defendant for approximately 18 years without any work-related issues. Osbourn did an excellent job working for the defendants. One week following the 2023 election, Sheriff Adam fired Osbourn and stated that her termination was due to Osbourn’s refusal to support the sheriff over the last five years (two elections).

“In addition, Osbourn had previously complained about being mistreated as a female employee.

“From inappropriate hugs from the sheriff to deputies and male employees wanting to discuss their intimate/sex lives with Osbourn. Investigation is ongoing, however Osbourn’s complaints regarding the hostile working environment are believed to have contributed to her unlawful termination in violation of the 1st and 14th amendments.”

Osbourn is asking for unspecified “actual, compensatory, pecuniary, non-pecuniary, special and punitive damages in the amount to be determined by a jury and for reasonable attorney’s fees.”

County officials said they could not comment on ongoing litigation.



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Mermaids making a difference



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On Saturday, Feb. 10, the Krewe of Nereids Royal Court LVI delighted attendees at the Lynn Meadows Discovery Center and the Mississippi Aquarium, posing for photos, and giving out beads in appreciation for the amazing efforts of the two local non-profits. The Nereids King and Queen also presented each organization with a donation in support of their continued efforts. Nereids is an all-woman organization devoted to giving back to the community. Accepting the donation at Lynn Meadows Discovery Center was Stephanie Norris, Development Director, and at the Mississippi Aquarium was Nicole Martz, Public Relations and Communications Manager.



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Opinion

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A DRIVE

Ever since I learned to drive, one of my favorite ways to relieve stress or just take a break is to drive down the beach.

I roll down the window and enjoy the smells of the Gulf. My hair, on the other hand, does not appreciate the windblown look.

My Maw Maw and Paw Paw lived in Cedar Point on Chartres Street in Bay St. Louis up until 2005 when Hurricane Katrina wiped their home off the map.

My childhood is dotted with memories of their home and the many, many activities that took place there.

From fishing and crabbing at the end of the street on the seawall to holiday events spent at their old home, there was always something to do.

I spent a lot of time with my Maw Maw and Paw Paw during my childhood. She introduced me to the world of Alfred Hitchcock, the movie “Steel Magnolias” and shared her love of Andy Griffith, Cary Grant, and Tom Selleck with me.

I loved watching her cook in their modest-sized kitchen. I also enjoyed watching her facial expressions when my Paw Paw would get in there and cook his eggs in way too much grease and then smother them with hot sauce.

One of my most favorite memories is the fact that they both — which if anyone knew my Maw Maw, knew she didn’t like to drive too far from home — traveled to Oxford to watch me graduate from Ole Miss. I was so proud to have them both there and to see the happy tears in my Paw Paw’s eyes.

Like most who grew up in “Da Bay,” I miss the way it used to be prior to Hurricane Katrina. Not only are a lot of the familiar structures gone, but my Maw Maw and Paw Paw have passed away.

On occasion, I still take those drives along the seawall and beach. I drive the seawall to Chartres Street and all my childhood memories meet me there.

When I drive up the mostly barren Chartres Street I can still see the driveway where my Paw Paw used to sit and strip copper.

I can still see him peering through the window in his room to see who just drove up the driveway. Then he would come into the living room and greet us. He was the most adorable Paw Paw.

However, my father is an almost carbon copy of his dad, so that is always a wonderful reminder.

Just last week, I took a drive down to Cedar Point. Sometimes, I just feel led to go down there and reminisce or for reasons unknown to me at



STAFF COLUMN
BY CASSANDRA FAVRE

Hancock History: Lighthouses

The War of 1812 called attention to the Gulf Coast with a focus on the Mississippi River and the port of New Orleans. The commercial products of the heartland of America, recently acquired with the Louisiana Purchase of 1803, such as sugar, indigo, and cotton, would pass through New Orleans and then be carried out to sea to the world market in American merchant ships. In the first half of the Nineteenth Century, steamboats became increasingly common carrying cargo up and down rivers and along the Gulf Coast. The Mississippi Sound is notorious for its shifting shoals and sandbars, unstable islands, and winding bayous. Lighthouses and lightships were essential aids to navigation for this busy maritime commerce. In the words of the distinguished Gulf Coast historian, Charles Sullivan, “Lighthouses were our traffic lights of

the sea between New Orleans and Mobile. The few that are left are historic relics. These towers (lighthouses) allowed steamboats filled with visitors to come night and day, thus bringing the coast’s first economic boon---tourism.”

There were six lighthouses built on land bordering the Mississippi Sound. The first was Pass Christian in 1831; Cat Island and Round Island followed in 1832; Biloxi was built in 1848; Ship Island was completed in 1853; and Pascagoula was the last in 1854. These first lighthouses were built on land but these brick towers possessed too much weight for the softer soil of the Gulf Coast compared to New England. Of the forty or more brick lighthouses constructed, at least twenty-five sank into the underlying soil or blew down, having no solid footing.

There were two navigable passages be-

tween the town of Pass Christian and Cat Island named Pass Marianne and Pass Christian. A hazard to steamboat navigation was a nearby sandbar called the “Tail of the Square Handkerchief Shoal.” Buoys were initially used to guide vessels through Pass Marianne to avoid this shoal. In 1847 an iron “lightship” was anchored there to mark the pass. A lightship was a substitute for a lighthouse placed in waters that are too deep or otherwise unsuitable for lighthouse construction. Nevertheless, lightships were fragile and susceptible to damage as well as more expensive to maintain than lighthouses. Fortunately, an advance in the construction technology for the foundation of lighthouses was the invention of iron screw piles which were turned into the ground rather than pounded. The iron piles offered a more stable, light-weight



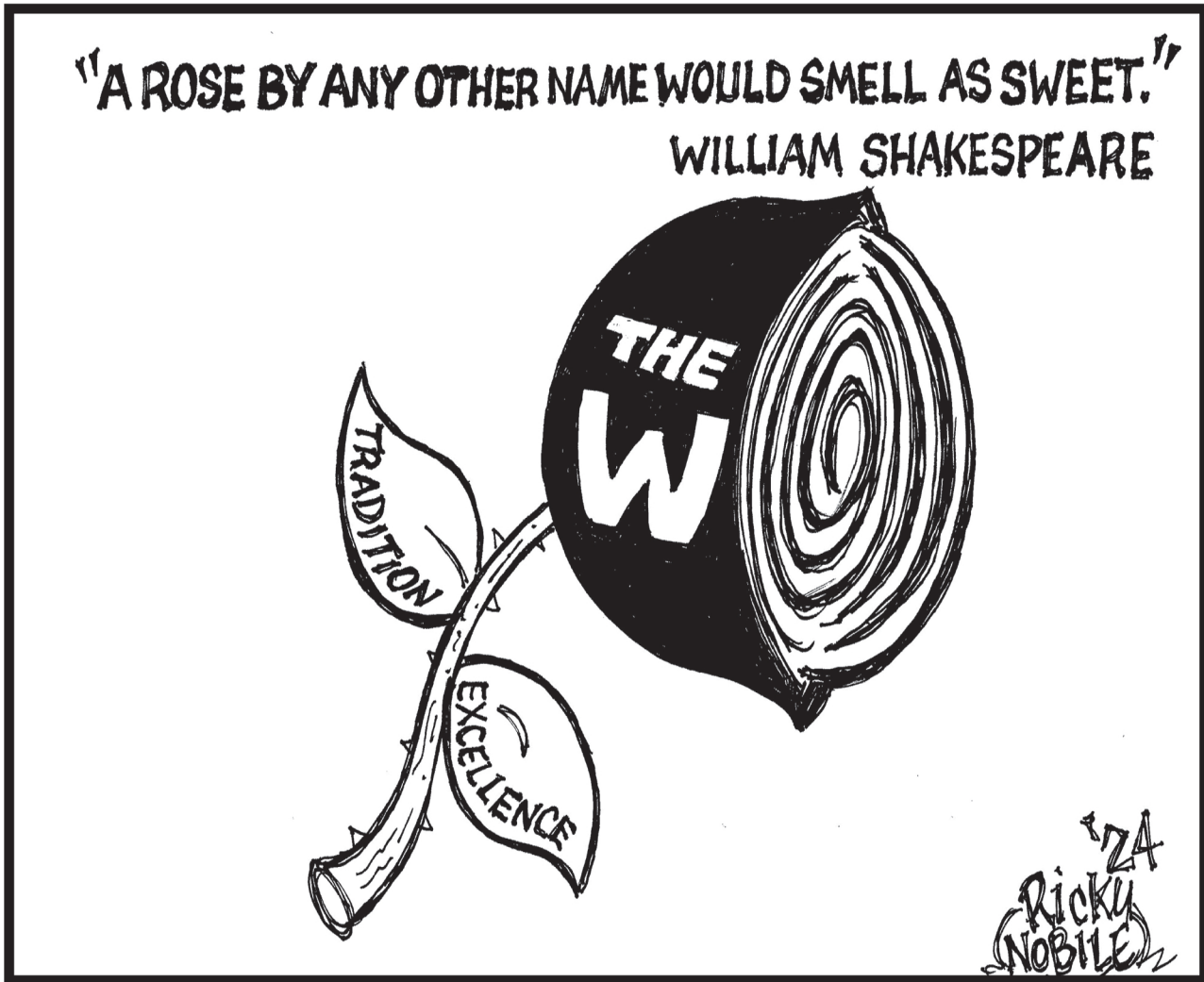
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BY JAMES KEATING M.D.

base and were not susceptible to Toredos (boring shipworms) as were wood foundations. A light weight frame house with a modified Chesapeake style was used on many of these lighthouses in the Gulf. A French manufactured Fresnel lens replaced the original lantern in the small tower above the house. The light projected thereby increased from just a few miles to twenty miles.

In 1860 a lighthouse

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The Old City Hall Dilemma Advocating for Transparency and Inclusive Investment

In the heart of Hancock County sits the old City Hall Building, a beautiful icon which was recently restored with the proceeds from a \$900,000 insurance settlement after Hurricane Zeta.

An unfolding saga reveals that the Chamber of Commerce (a non-governmental/private organization for its members) seems to be the only one benefitting, as the counsel has agreed to lease the building to them for a mere \$750 a month.

All expenses for the building are to be shouldered by taxpayers, including insurance at \$22,000 yearly, electricity, sewer, water, janitorial, and garbage costs. As well the Tax Payers pay the chamber \$875 membership Dues for the City of Bay St. Louis. Taxpayers will also cover such large expenses as the \$4,000/year dues for four county elected offi-

LETTER  to the EDITOR

OUR LETTERS POLICY

The Sea Coast Echo welcomes comments from its readers. Letters must be signed and include address or telephone number. Letters should be brief and preferably typewritten. The editor reserves the right to edit or reject letters.

cials and a \$20,000 annual infusion of money from the Hancock County Board of Supervisors.

Also, the taxpayer who is not a Member must pay \$45 fee to the Chamber to attend the Board of Supervisor State of the County Address.

At first glance, this venture may seem a symbiotic relationship between civic responsibility and community development. Currently, the Chamber manages 22 nonprofit businesses that can utilize the building for free, while for-profit, tax-paying

entities are required to pay for this privilege. Moreover, the Chamber proposes handling ongoing funds from the rental of the lower floor, as opposed to the city, to reinvest back into operational expenses.

Is there a benefit to the community at large?

Questions emerge about why this historical treasure is leased at a nominal fee to a members-only private entity while taxpayers shoulder it’s ongoing expenses. Why was a hasty vote approving this transaction held by the counsel without the consider-

ation/voice of concerned citizens?

This isn’t solely about dollars and cents; it delves into the soul of the community. Many feel the Chamber of Commerce should catalyze a transformation felt by all, fostering a more equitable distribution of benefits from community investment and ensuring shared prosperity instead of being a financial burden to taxpayers. As contracts are signed and taxpayers contemplate the city’s skyline, they deserve assurance that their money shapes a future where community well-being is paramount.

Hancock County’s story is woven by collective contributions, and the Chamber must recognize that depriving the common man of a fair return on investment betrays the exceptional community spirit of Hancock County.

Rod Ward
Bay St. Louis

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ARREST RECORD

Arrests logged at the Hancock County Justice facility from February 12 to February 19 appearance on the jail log is not indicative of guilt, merely a record that an arrest has been made.

ECHO STAFF

Brian E. Ayers, 46, contempt of court failure to appear x 2
Christopher C. Elliott, 44, hold for other agency; possession of weapon by felon
Rodrick A. Johnson, 52, hold for other agency
Christine M. Ladner, 55, controlled substance; counterfeit to sell, barter transfer, distribute, dispense or possess with intent; controlled substance; trafficking
Mellissa Zapata, 38, DUI 1st offense; DUI child endangerment x 2
Sarah N. Lizana, 24, contempt of court failure to appear; felony possession of controlled substance; tampering with physical evidence
Dustin J. Rives, 25, motor vehicle resisting/obstructing arrest; petit larceny
Granlin S. Campbell, 26, motor vehicle resisting/obstructing arrest; reckless driving
Ronald L. Saucier II,

21, drunkenness/profanity in public place
Joshua D. Haynes, 39, disorderly conduct; disturbing the peace
Jamie L. Brown, 41, false pretenses
Charles R. Early, 26, burglary
Destiny M. Taranto, 20, simple domestic violence simple assault
Jesse R. Maciel, 25, aggravated assault
Julisha L. Poole, 36, contempt of court failure to appear
Robert S. Joffrion, 52, driving with suspended or revoked license; disorderly conduct; motor vehicle resisting/obstructing arrest; contempt of court failure to appear
Michael A. Oliva, 35, careless driving; DUI; possession of paraphernalia; felony possession of controlled substance
Jared W. Bon, 25, DUI; speeding
Renelder J. Charles, 31, contempt of court failure to appear
Whitney M. Williams, 27, animals: malicious or mischievous injury to dog or colt x 4
Chad L. Hill, Sr., 39, misdemeanor possession of controlled substance
Joseph W. Sims, 38,

back for court/court order
Lacey A. Hebert, 38, felony possession of controlled substance
Brandon H. Lizana, 26, child pornography (producing, sending, receiving, distributing, or possession of)
Deparis M. Fields, 32, misdemeanor possession of controlled substance
Cyndel L. Summers, 30, conspiracy; credit card: fraudulent use w/ Internet to obtain, etc.
John J. Dedeaux, 36, hold for other agency; contempt of court failure to appear x 2
Stanley N. Delle, 64, DUI 1st offense; speeding
Wiliam J. Karkowski, 37, contempt failure to pay x 3
Alexander R. Wischmann, 30, trespassing; contempt of court failure to appear
Michael A. Johnson, 69, motor vehicle: obedience of official traffic-control devices by emergency vehicles; DUI violations (defined); tag-none, expired, improperly mounted, covering or mounted
Andy M. Fitzgerald Jr., 46, contempt of court failure to appear; hold

for other agency
Kristina M. Muszynski, 40, DUI violations (defined); felony possession of controlled substance
Dillan D. Grimes, 31, felony possession of controlled substance
Brandon L. Wodring, 42, no drivers license or expired; motor vehicle: obedience of traffic-control devices by emergency vehicles; DUI violations (defined)
Destiny M. Taranto, 20, contempt failure to appear payment hearing
Troy V. Catalano, 38, contempt of court violations of protective order or court approved consent agreement
Christopher D. Emmons, 38, contempt of court failure to appear; public utilities: power tampering with meters, etc.
Jacob R. Greaves, 38, contempt of court failure to appear x 2
John H. Tucker Jr., 54, no drivers license or expired; evasion, failure to stop a motor vehicle; reckless driving
Thomas J. Koenenn III, 35, possession of marijuana (1-30 grams); possession of paraphernalia

Hancock Democrats meet to organize

SPECIAL TO THE ECHO

The Hancock Democrats announce meetings at 10am on Saturday, February 24th for the purpose of choosing delegates that will vote in a new county committee. This is done every four years at the beginning of a Presidential election year.

With a nod to the grassroots nature of this kind of organizing, citizens from each of the 26 voting precincts in the county are invited to attend and express support for the Democratic Party’s principles and select delegates to represent their precinct.

Next month, the delegates will vote in a new county committee, vote in a rep to be part of the state executive committee, recognize potential candidates to attend the Democratic National Convention, and draft input to the Party platform.

Democrats from each of the 26 voting precincts in Hancock County will meet as follow:

• DRIVE

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times.

Before one big life decision, I brought along a lovely coffee and pastry from the Mockingbird Cafe and sat on the seawall thinking while watching the pelicans.

I try not to dwell on the past too often, because that just doesn’t seem too healthy, but there are times the ache for the former version of my hometown is pretty strong.

Sometimes, I would

give anything to walk inside that old house on Chartres Street one more time. Even though my Maw Maw and Paw Paw wouldn’t be there, it would be such a warm reminder of them.

But, they are always in my heart. Not a day goes by that I don’t think about them or something reminds me of them. Or around here, someone will inevitably ask me what part of the Favre family I’m from.

I’m not one that just dwells on Hurricane Katrina and I don’t care about the material things we lost. My family was

safe and that was all that mattered.

However, I do miss my childhood home and my grandparents home especially. There’s just an empty lot that I pass every time I drive up Highway 603 to remind me of my childhood home and the memories made there.

I don’t think I’m alone in feeling this way. Most days, I forget what the old landscape of Bay St. Louis and Waveland looked like. I miss the familiar landmarks that aren’t there anymore and I’m sure there are many, many people who miss

their loved ones who passed away during Hurricane Katrina.

A lot of people always talk about returning home for visits, taking their children to see their childhood home, etc. As for me, I visit the empty lots that were once filled with so much love and happiness the walls could hardly contain it and it is a bittersweet comfort.

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• HISTORY

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was constructed called the Merrill’s Shell Bank lighthouse or the Pass Marianne Lighthouse. It was equipped with another aid to navigation in fog, a hand-struck bell. The lighthouse changed hands

during the Civil War but was not damaged. In 1883, a fire broke out on the shingle roof, probably from the stovepipe, which destroyed the building. However, the lighthouse was rebuilt with a fireproof slate roof. This lighthouse survived several hurricanes and was discontinued in 1945. The iron pilings are still present and this landmark is well-known

to our local fishermen.

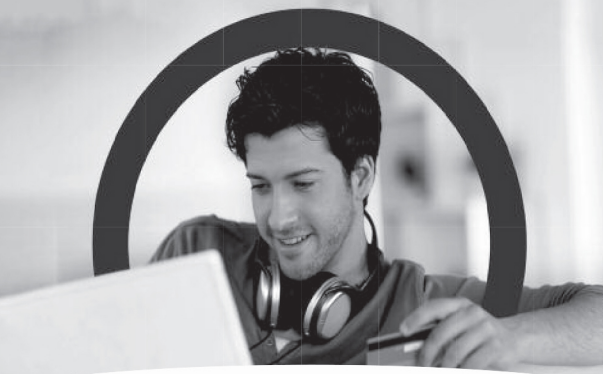
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Obituaries

• FRANK W. BOUGHTON • PATRICK JOSEPH MCKEE • DEBORAH KAY WAKE

Frank W. Boughton

Frank W. Boughton, 79, of Pearlinton, MS passed away Friday, February 9, 2024 in Slidell, LA. He was a Veteran of the United States Marine Corp., New Orleans Firefighter, School Teacher, and a member of Boilermaker Union #37. He is survived by his wife, Linda Boughton of Pearlinton, MS; three children, Lorraine Boughton, Lisa Boughton, and Louis Boughton all of Pearlinton, MS; six grandchildren, Raoul Boughton, Cameron Boughton, Brooke Krula, Conner Boughton, Alisha Boutwell, and Julian Boutwell; and two great-grandchildren, Ryker & Gemma Boughton. Edmond Fahey Funeral Home is honored



to serve the family of Frank W. Boughton.

Patrick Joseph McKee

“Life is eternal, and love is immortal, and death is only a horizon; And a horizon is nothing save the limit of our sight.”
Rossiter Worthington Raymond
Patrick Joseph McKee, beloved husband of Janeal, son of Fred and Vianne, and brother of Chris, Kevin, Mark, Mike, Tim and Julie, passed away Sunday, February 4, 2024 in Bay St. Louis, MS at the age of 73. Patrick was born February 14, 1950 and true to the spirit of Valentine’s Day, a promoter of love and peace. His adventurous and affable nature contributed to his love of new experiences. He was a man of versatility and charm. A gifted writer, he penned short stories, poems and newspaper articles. His family and friends knew him as an entertaining raconteur with a voice as smooth as silk, a playful prankster, a patient teacher, a knowledgeable historian, and a film aficionado. He will be remembered as a man of high integrity, generosity, and kindness. A memorial service will follow at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Feeding The Gulf Coast 1501 34th Street Gulfport, Mississippi 39501



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Deborah Kay Wake

Deborah Kay Wake passed away surrounded by family on Thursday, January 25, 2024 at the age 69. Deborah was born on October 21, 1954 in Danville, Illinois to Kenneth and Mildred Wake. Most of her younger life was spent in West Palm Beach, Florida. This experience gave her a love for the beach and coastal living she never out grew. At the age of 15 she married and left home. Her work ethic was incredible. She worked hard until the very end pushing through like mothers do. She worked for many years as a paralegal and a medical receptionist, owned a cleaning business for many years, retiring from one of her jobs to care for her elderly father. She enjoyed sewing, shopping, was a fashionista with her own style and a member of the parade dance team

“Southern Chaos”. Her greatest adventure was that as a mother. She lived for her children, burning the candle at both ends to provide for them. She was a great listener and always offered words of wisdom she gained through hard patches of life. No matter how busy she would stop and make time for those long conversations and a cup of coffee. As her children we hope she knew how much she was loved and what an inspiration she was in living and dying. We were blessed with the best. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a daughter Candice K. Carter. She is survived by her husband, Mark Hammonds; siblings, Wade and Sandy Wake; four children, Adrian Guillan (Noel), Casandra Bazor (Robert), Richard Carter (Kristal) and Laurence Fairbanks (Brook); nine grandchildren, Kayleigh Carter, Summer Brown (Hank), Ian Schexnayder, Mia Bazor, Brook Bazor, Robert Bazor Jr, Cobie Carter, Beau Carter and Olivia Carter; two great-grandchildren, Ezra and Eliana Brown and numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends. A private family graveside will take place at Pinecrest Cemetery in Gautier, MS where she will rest beside her daughter. Condolences and memories can be shared at www.obryan-tokeefe.com.



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MS House Weekly Summary - Week of Feb. 12

This was the seventh week of the 2024 Legislative Session. Members worked throughout the week dropping bills and meeting in committee. After Monday, February 19, no new general bills or constitutional amendments can be introduced. More than 1,200 House bills have been filed already. Despite how early it is in session, committees continued to meet, and several bills were introduced before the whole House. House Bill 286 would remove the statute of limitations on sexual battery if DNA evidence is discovered. Currently, the statute of limitations for sexual battery is two years. The bill

passed with little debate by a vote of 121-0 before being held on a motion to reconsider. Two bills that would add celebrations to our state calendar were introduced. House Bill 124 would designate the fourth Thursday in March as “Tuskegee Airmen Day.” While it would not be a legal state holiday, the day would honor and recognize the Tuskegee Airmen of World War II. HB 124 passed the House unanimously and has been sent to the Senate. House Bill

HANCOCK COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY SOLAR ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROJECT

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed or Electronic bids for Hancock County Utility Authority Solar Energy Efficiency Project will be received by the Hancock County Utility Authority, at 401 Gulfside Street, Waveland, MS 39576 until **2:00 P.M., local time on March 26, 2024**, at which time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Scope of Work: The project will be the installation, testing, and interconnection of a new grid-tied solar system at each of three (3) sites. The new solar system will connect into the existing site electrical system via a 480VAC load side connection. The solar array will be installed as a functional ground mount installation utilized for peak shaving and mitigating load. This process will be repeated for (3) separate sites, which will be funded and owned by the same entity.

Bids will be received from a single prime Contractor. Bids shall be on a unit price basis, with additive alternate bid items, if applicable, as indicated in the Bid Form.

The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is Brown, Mitchell & Alexander, Inc., 401 Cowan Road, Suite A, Gulfport, MS 39507, on behalf of the Engineer, I.C. Thomasson Associates, Inc. Prospective Bidders may examine the Bidding Documents at the Issuing Office on Monday through Thursday (between the hours of 7:30 A.M. and 5:30 P.M.) and Friday (between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and Noon) and at the office of the Hancock County Utility Authority, 401 Gulfside Street, Waveland, MS 39576. Copies of the Bidding Documents may be obtained from the Issuing Office as described below. For technical questions regarding the project, contact the Engineer at dterschak@icthomasson.com or at 216-571-6295.

Bidding documents are being made available via paper copy or pdf for a charge of \$175.00 (hard copy) or \$75.00 (CD). Plan holders are required to log-in or register for an account at www.bmaprojects.com to view and order Bidding Documents. All plan holders are required to have a valid email address for registration. The cost for the bidding documents is non-refundable and must be purchased through the website. For questions regarding website registration and online orders please contact Plan House Printing at (228) 248-0181.

A pre-bid conference will be held at **2:00 p.m., local time on March 6, 2024** at the Hancock County Utility Authority, at 401 Gulfside Street, Waveland, MS 39576. Attendance at the pre-bid conference is highly encouraged but is not mandatory.

When submitting an electronic bid, the bid must be submitted in “pdf” format and shall contain the same information and forms as required for the paper bids. Electronic bids must be secured with a bid bond. When submitting a bid electronically, the authorized signature shall be an electronic signature or handwritten in blue-ink signature. In the event that an electronically submitted bid has a corrupted attachment, the bid will be considered null and void. When bids are submitted electronically, the requirement for including a certificate of responsibility, or a statement that the bid enclosed does not exceed Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00), on the exterior of the bid envelope shall be deemed in compliance by including the same information as an attachment with the electronic bid submittal.

The date that the Bidding Documents are transmitted by the Issuing Office will be considered the prospective Bidder’s date of receipt of the Bidding Documents. Partial sets of Bidding Documents will not be available from the Issuing Office. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for full or partial sets of Bidding Documents, including Addenda, if any, obtained from sources other than the Issuing Office.

Bid security shall be furnished in accordance with the Instruction to Bidders.

For bids exceeding \$50,000.00, Bidder must indicate his **Certificate of Responsibility Number** on the outside of sealed proposal as required by Mississippi Law. Effective July 1, 2010; Per MS Code 31-3-21(3); any bid submitted by a nonresident contractor which does not include the nonresident contractor’s current state law pertaining to such state’s treatment of nonresident contractors, shall be rejected and not considered for award. If no such law exists in the non-resident contractor’s state, then the non-resident contractor may provide a statement to that effect.

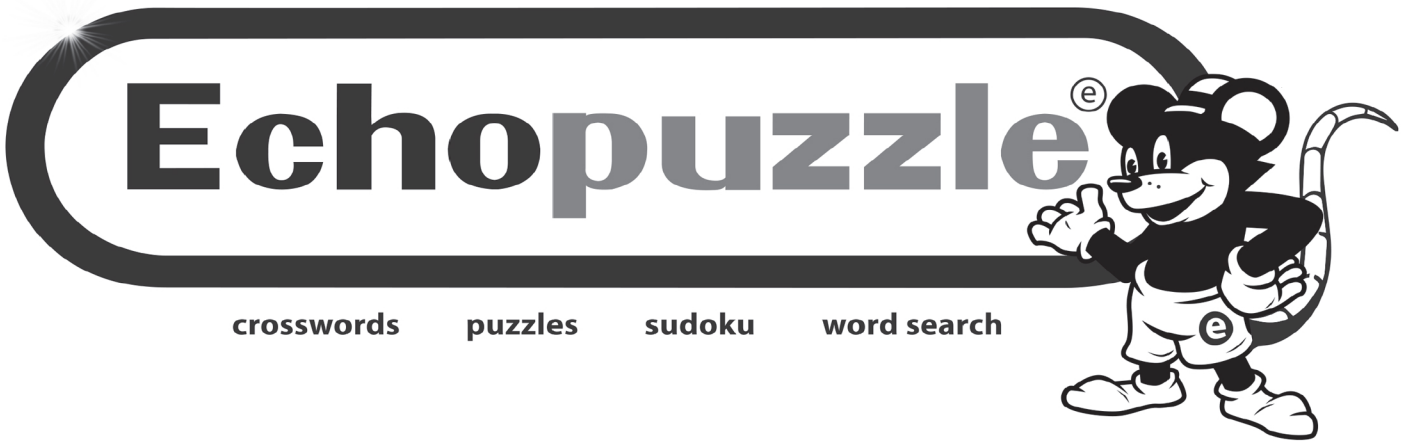
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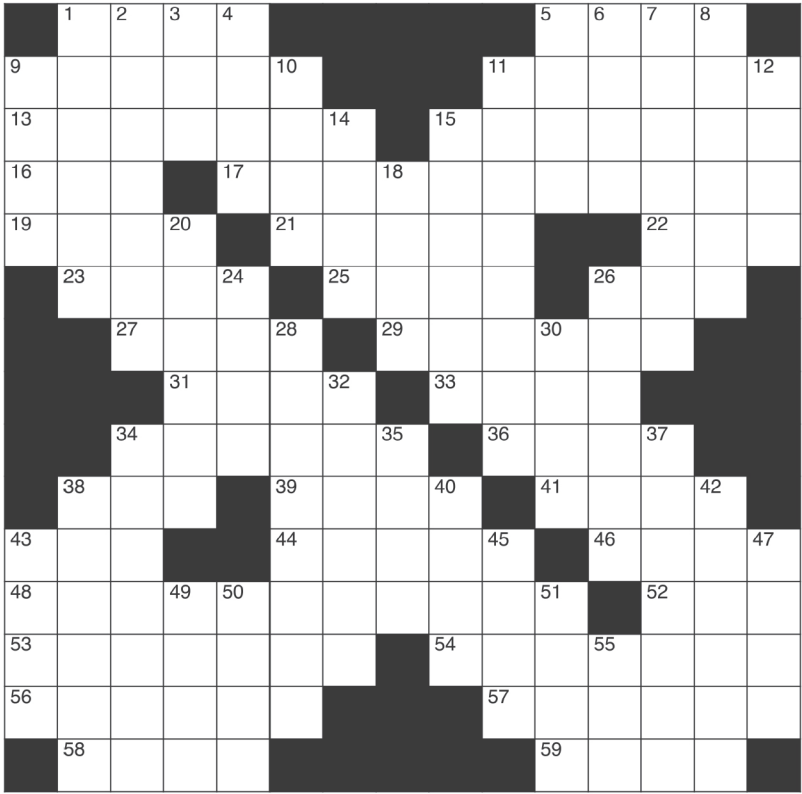
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- 1. Breathe noisily
- 5. __ Nui, Easter Island
- 9. Reddish browns
- 11. Simple shoes
- 13. Produce alcohol illegally
- 15. Home to famed golf tournament
- 16. Tax collector
- 17. Famous people
- 19. Urban area
- 21. Units of syllable weight
- 22. Pituitary hormone (abbr.)
- 23. Dismounted
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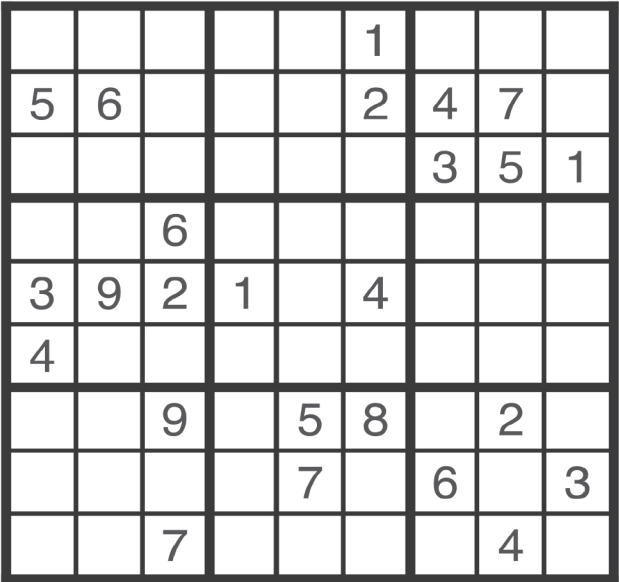
- 33. Witnesses
- 34. Caulked
- 36. Satisfy
- 38. R&B performer __ Lo
- 39. Monetary units of Macao
- 41. Give advice, explain
- 43. Possesses
- 44. Turn back
- 46. Gentlemen
- 48. One who fertilizes
- 52. Italian monk title (prefix)
- 53. Parties
- 54. Type of horse
- 56. Cuts in half
- 57. Raises
- 58. Expresses contempt or disgust
- 59. Ancient Italian-Greek colony

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Illinois city
- 2. One of the original disciples chosen by Christ
- 3. Young form of a louse
- 4. Type of powder
- 5. Finger millet
- 6. Share a common boundary
- 7. Assumed as a fact
- 8. Provide clear evidence of
- 9. Invests in little enterprises
- 10. A way to be
- 11. Monies given in support
- 12. Fashion accessory
- 14. Steal
- 15. Becomes less intense
- 18. Geological times
- 20. Hooray!

- 26. Male reproductive organs
- 28. Earnings
- 30. Close by
- 32. Small integers
- 34. Fixed in place
- 35. Used to treat Parkinson’s disease
- 37. Large, imposing building
- 38. A rooflike shelter
- 40. Stiff, hairlike structure
- 42. Print errors
- 43. To show disapproval
- 45. Body of traditions
- 47. Without
- 49. __ Clapton, musician
- 50. Dangerous illegal drug
- 51. Infrequent
- 55. Sound unit

SUDOKU



Level: Intermediate

- 1. The Flag of the European Union has how many stars on it?
- 2. Which Italian automobile manufacturer gained majority control of U.S. automobile manufacturer Chrysler in 2011?
- 3. The following is a line from which 1970's film 'you talkin to me'?"
- 4. What was the first Pixar movie?
- 5. Pope Gregory IV tried to exterminate what animal from Europe, as he said they were instruments of Satan?

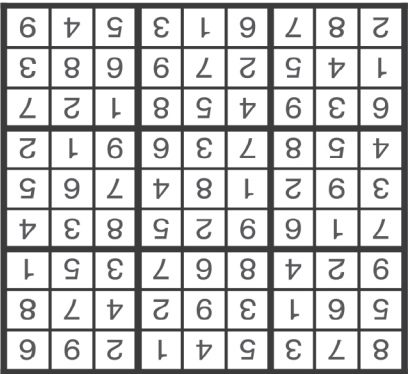
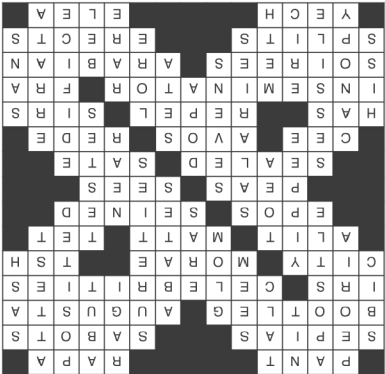
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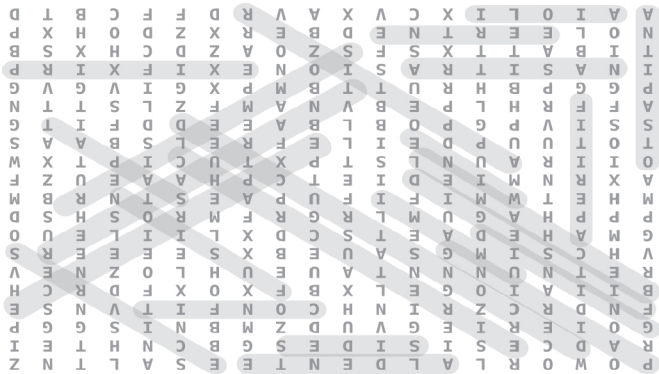
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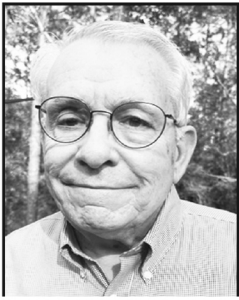
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THEOLOGICAL TRENDS

By REV. C. GERALD RICHARDSON, D. MIN



C. Gerald Richardson, D. MIN.

An interesting, and somewhat troubling, trend has developed in our current cultural landscape. It seems to have become acceptable to confuse a particular political perspective with spiritual and theological convictions. Most of us have participated in this practice in one way or

another at some point in our lives. We may support positions which are compatible with personal interests or prejudices even when they are in conflict with important spiritual values.

It is quite typical for laws and regulations of governments to be created for the benefit of institutional concerns. These may be compatible with theological wisdom, or they may be contrary to it. There is a sense in which such tensions cannot be avoided. Interests do not always converge in ways that are convenient. The real danger comes when we begin to equate one particular ideology as being the full expression of

religious righteousness while others are totally contrary to it.

A significant example of this circumstance became prominent almost a hundred years ago with the emergence of the so-called “social gospel”. It was popular in some circles for a time. The essential message of this school of thought was that the message of Jesus was totally contained in its social context. It was never widely accepted. It was inadequate theology then, and it still is. In fact, any theology which keeps its focus on one isolated aspect of the Christian story, and mostly excludes the rest, is incomplete. This is true when the emphasis

is on “end times”, “reward and punishment”, a single doctrinal value, or anything else which overshadows the totality of the story, and the message of the one of whom the story was written.

More recently, a newer version of the same error has appeared. It comes in the name of “Evangelicalism”. Actually, the word “evangel” is an old and honored part of the Christian tradition. Its basic meaning is “good news”. The term has, of late, been misappropriated by a particular political perspective. It comes in the context of conservative politics which frequently ignores traditional Judeo-Christian values such as wel-

come to strangers, ministry to prisoners, caring for the poor and hungry, and healing for the suffering.

The point is that both the social gospel, as well as the more recent version of evangelical Christianity, are incomplete expressions of a much deeper truth. Many of their primary advocates seldom participate in corporate worship, and if they do, it is often in congregations which focus on social and/or political principles. Solid theological discourse is often distained.

It is true that there are important social and relational aspects to any valid theological content. Pulpits should

not feel constrained to silence in that regard. It is also true that political philosophy should be measured according to spiritual values and not by temporal ones. There has always been a social component to spiritual faith. Its focus is on the least among us, those in the most need, and the ones for whom special help and care is essential. This is integral to any valid spirituality.

May we collectively learn to embrace the total context of spiritual faith, and to engage in discourse which recognizes differences but is anchored in foundational theological principles.

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493-9944

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Diamondhead | 216-4105
Sunday, 10 a.m

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Notice is hereby given that Universal Storage, Inc., 5402 Gex Drive, Diamondhead, MS 39525, will sell to the highest bidder for cash the contents of Unit 227, the property of Lloyd Appel Jr, whose last known address is 1912 Rodriguez Lane, Meraux, La 70075. The sale shall take place on February 21st, 2024, at 1 pm. All auctions take place on storageauctions.com.

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION OF ZKB
DOCKET NO. 23CH1:24-AD-Z-MA

Shanna Marie Thiel, Individual, biological mother, And as Next Friend of ZKB; and Rodney James Thiel Jr. Individual, Next Friend, and as

Prospective Adoptive Parent VS

Brady Paul Rodriguez Respondent
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
NOTICE TO RESPONDENT
TO: BRADY PAUL RODRIGUEZ
You have been a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Rodney James Thiel Jr., whose post office address is and whose street address is 6014 Alyssa Lane, Kiln, MS 39556.

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 7 DAY OF MARCH, 2024, WHICH IS THE 22 DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2024, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.
You must also file the original of your response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward.
Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 16 day of February, 2024.
Tiffany Lee Cowman, Chancery Clerk
Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN RE: ESTATE OF NORENE

AGNES WILLIAMS, DECEASED
CAUSE NO. 23CH1:24-cv-0064-JP

SUMMONS STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: HEIRS AT LAW OF NORENE AGNES WILLIAMS, DECEASED AND ANY AND ALL PERSONS HAVING AN INTEREST OR CLAIM IN THE HEREIN DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY.

You have been made a Defendant in this suit filed in this Court by Deena Williams and Marleece Williams, Petitioners, seeking judicial declaration of the heirs at law of NORENE AGNES WILLIAMS. The real property owned by decedent at her death is described as follows:

The East One-Half of Lot Four (East ½ of Lot 4) rear of the Second Ward of the City of Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said City, ward, and lands in the rear of said City and Ward made by E.S. Drake, and filed in the office of the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, on May 1st, 1923.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the Petition filed against you in this action at 9:00 a.m. on March 18, 2024, in the Chancery Courtroom at the Harrison County Courthouse, 1st Judicial District, 1801 23rd Avenue, Gulfport, Mississippi and in case of

your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the Petition.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleadings but you may do so if you so desire.

ISSUED under my hand and seal of office, this the 2nd day of February, 2024.

TIFFANY LEE COWMAN, Clerk
By: Cassie Tribble, D.C.
152 Main Street, Ste. A
Bay Saint Louis, MS 39520
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Michael D. Haas, Jr., MS Bar No 5091
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

AMERICAN PRIDE PROPERTIES, LLC
PLAINTIFF
VERSUS
CAUSE NO. 24-46

LEONARD CARLSON; ALL HEIRS OF LEONARD CARLSON; JOANNE CARLSON; ALL HEIRS OF JOANNE CARLSON; DIAMONDHEAD COUNTRY CLUB AND PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC; DIAMONDHEAD FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT; HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; W. CROSBY PARKER IN HIS CAPACITY AS DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; STATE OF MISSISSIPPI; ALL OTHER PERSONS, FIRMS AND CORPORATIONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN THE DESCRIBED LAND LOCATED IN HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, WHICH SOLD FOR 2020 HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI AD VALOREM TAXES VIZ: 55 BLK 1 DIAMONDHEAD PH 2 UN 7A SEC 00 TWP 00 RANGE 00 RECEIPT #: 2020-6384-00 CONVEYED DATE: 10/16/2023 PARCEL #: 067J-36-125.000 DIST: 2453 CITY: 4 SCHOOL: 2 HANCOCK COUNTY REFERENCE: BK: 2005 PAGE: 8115 DATE: 11/07/2005 HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

DEFENDANTS

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THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: LEONARD CARLSON; ALL HEIRS OF LEONARD CARLSON; JOANNE CARLSON; ALL HEIRS OF JOANNE CARLSON; DIAMONDHEAD COUNTRY CLUB AND PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC; DIAMONDHEAD FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT; HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; W. CROSBY PARKER IN HIS CAPACITY AS DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; STATE OF MISSISSIPPI; ALL OTHER PERSONS, FIRMS AND CORPORATIONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN THE DESCRIBED LAND LOCATED IN HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, WHICH SOLD FOR 2020 HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI AD VALOREM TAXES VIZ: 55 BLK 1 DIAMONDHEAD PH 2 UN 7A SEC 00 TWP 00 RANGE 00 RECEIPT #: 2020-6384-00 CONVEYED DATE: 10/16/2023 PARCEL #: 067J-36-125.000 DIST: 2453 CITY: 4 SCHOOL: 2 HANCOCK COUNTY REFERENCE: BK: 2005 PAGE: 8115 DATE: 11/07/2005 HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
NOTICE

This is a suit by American Pride Properties, LLC to Quiet and Confirm Tax Title and for Other Relief as to that certain property legally described as:

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American Pride Properties, LLC, obtained its interest in the subject property by virtue of that Quitclaim Deed and Assignment dated October 25, 2023, and recorded on October 30, 2023, in Deed Book 2023 at Page 16201 in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. Plaintiff is the successor in interest to MS TL LLC TESCO Custodian, who was the highest and best bidder at the August 31, 2021, Hancock County, Mississippi ad valorem tax sale wherein the taxes were not redeemed and it was granted a Chancery Clerks Conveyance Land Sold for Tax-

es dated October 16, 2023, and recorded on October 16, 2023, in Deed Book 2023 at Page 15572 which was recorded in the office of the aforesaid chancery clerk.

If you have a legal or equitable claim or interest in this real property and/or any personal property contained therein, you are required to mail or hand-deliver a copy of your response to the Complaint to Quiet and Confirm Title and For Other Relief to the attorney for Plaintiff, Negrotto & Associates, PLLC, c/o Lewie G. Skip Negrotto, IV, the attorney for Plaintiff, whose post office address is 300 Davis Avenue, Ste. 101-A, Pass Christian, MS 39571. YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED WITHIN THIRTY DAYS FROM THE 15th day of February 2024 WHICH IS THE DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.

You must also file the original of your Response with the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, within a reasonable time afterward at 152 Main Street, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39520.

TIFFANY LEE COWMAN, HANCOCK COUNTY CHANCERY CLERK
ISSUE DATE: 2/8/24
BY: Ashley Holland
DEPUTY COURT CLERK

Publish three (3) times:
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SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEES NOTICE OF SALE

WHEREAS, on April 10, 2006, Belinda D. Mercier, who acquired title as Belinda Diane Mercier, and Michael T. Mercier executed a Deed of Trust to Hugh Keating (misspelled Keiting), Trustee for the benefit of the Administrator of the U.S. Small Business Administration, an agency of the Government of the United States of America, which is recorded in Book 2006 at Page 15200 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, Underwood Law Firm PLLC has been substituted as Trustee under the Deed of Trust; and

WHEREAS, default has been made in the terms and conditions of the Deed of Trust and the entire debt secured thereby has been declared due and payable in accordance with the terms of the Deed of Trust, and the legal holder of the indebtedness secured thereby, U.S. Small Business Administration, has requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell the property in accordance with the terms of the Deed of Trust for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder together with attorneys fees, Substituted Trustees fees, and expenses of sale.

NOW, THEREFORE, Underwood Law Firm PLLC, as Substituted Trustee under the Deed of Trust, will on March 14, 2024, offer for sale at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash within legal hours (between 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.) at the front door of the Hancock County Courthouse in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, the following described property together with all improvements thereon situated in Hancock County, Mississippi:

Lots 75, 76, 77 and 78, Square 320, Bayside Park Subdivision, Unit 5, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per map or plat of said subdivision on file and of record in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

UNDERWOOD LAW FIRM PLLC will convey only such title as is vested in it as Substituted Trustee.

WITNESS OUR SIGNATURE, this the 7th day of February, 2024.

/s/ Andrew R. Wilson
Andrew R. Wilson (Miss. Bar #102862)
UNDERWOOD LAW FIRM PLLC
P.O. Box 1874
Madison, MS 39130
Phone: (601) 981-7773
File No. 23120540
PUBLISH: Sea Coast Echo: 02/15/2024, 02/22/2024, 02/29/2024, 03/07/2024

ADVERTISEMENT TO BID

You are hereby invited to submit a sealed bid for Add Cooling Tower Central Fire House for work at the Central Fire House at 543 Main St., Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, 39520.

Sealed Bids will be received from contractors at the Bay St. Louis City Hall Conference

Room, 2nd floor, located at 688 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, MS 39525 until 10:00 AM. local time, Thursday, February 29, 2024 and then publicly opened and read aloud.

Work will be in accordance with the plans and specifications prepared by:
Stephens Mechanical LLC
925 Tommy Munro Dr., Ste B
Biloxi, MS 39532

Single stipulated sum bids will be received for all work required by the Contract Documents in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.

Instructions to Bidders, Form of Bid, Form of Contract Bond, Drawings, Specifications, and other Contract Documents may be examined at the following locations:

- Office of the Engineer: Stephens Mechanical Engineering, 925 Tommy Munro Dr., Ste B, Biloxi, MS, 39532.
- Plans House, Gulfport
- City of Bay St. Louis, 688 Hwy 90, Bay St. Louis 39520

Information and Bidding Documents for the Project can be found at the website: www.baystlouis-msbids.com Plan Holders are required to log-in or register for an account to view or order bid documents at www.baystlouis-msbids.com. Bid documents are non-refundable and must be purchased through the website. Questions regarding website registration and online orders are to contact the Plan House at (228) 248-0181. No partial sets of drawings or manual will be issued. No contract documents (hard copy or electronic) will be issued to Contractors within 24 hours of the bid time.

Prospective bidders can examine the Bidding Documents at the issuing offices on Monday through Thursday 8:00-5:00 and Friday 8:00-12:00.

All written proposals must be on file with the City of Bay St. Louis prior to the opening time as stated above. All proposals must be sealed and clearly marked on the outside of the envelope as indicated for Add Cooling Tower Central Fire House Bay St. Louis, Mississippi not to be opened until February 29, 2024 at 10:00 am. Additionally, the envelope shall have the Contractors Certificate of Responsibility Number plainly written. Envelopes not so marked are submitted at the risk of the Bidder and the City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, assumes no responsibility for the premature opening of same by any City employee.

A pre-bid conference is scheduled for February 22, 2024, at 10:00 am at the City Hall Conference Room.

Each bidder must deposit with his bid the standard forms contained in the contract manual. Each bid will include a bid bond issued by a Surety Company for the designated amount of 5% of the total bid price. The Surety Company shall be a licensed in Mississippi firm. The successful bidder shall furnish a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond each in the amount of 100% of the contract amount. Bidders shall comply with law of the State of Mississippi requiring Certificate of Responsibility.

Bids shall be deposited with the City of Bay St. Louis, Bay St. Louis City Hall, 688 Hwy 90, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 or alternately, bids can be submitted at www.baystlouis-msbids.com under the project page, prior to the hour and date designated above. No oral, telegraphic, or emails proposals shall be considered. All interpretations or questions shall be directed to Lawrence Stephens at Stephens Mechanical LLC by email to : les@stephens-mecheng.com. Contractor must indicate on their bid proposal all addenda with dates in the location provided. No bidder may withdraw their bid within sixty (60) days after the date of actual bid opening without Owners consent.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informalities and to reject any or all bids.

All work performed shall comply with Federal, State, and Local Codes.

Approved by the order of the City of Bay St. Louis City Council.

PUBLISH
1st Advertisement Date: February 15, 2024
2nd Advertisement Date: February 22, 2024

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given to all qualified financial institutions that the school board of the Hancock County School District is seeking sealed bids for financial institutions. Pursuant to existing provisions of Sections 27-105- 315 and 37-7-333, Missis-

issippi Code Ann. (1972), it is the intention of the school board to select one or more depositories to assist with the banking functions for funds of the district for a three (3) year period commencing not later than July 1, 2024 and ending not later than June 30, 2027.

The legal provisions providing for the naming of depositories of the district are set forth in section 37-7-333, Mississippi Code Ann. (1972). Said Bid shall be received at the office of the Superintendent, 18375 Hwy. 603, Kiln, MS 39556, until 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 20, 2024 and each shall be submitted on the bid proposal form which may be obtained from the office of the Superintendent by calling Denise Ladner at 228-255-0376 or emailing at deniseladner@hancockschools.net.

The School Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any irregularities in the bids. In order to be considered each sealed bid shall have "DEPOSITORY BID" written or typed on its face.

RHETT LADNER SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION
PUBLISH:
Thursday, February 15, 2024
Thursday, February 22, 2024

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

BRANDON LENOIR
PLAINTIFF

VERSUS
CAUSE NO. 23-CV-382-MA

THE DEVEISES UNDER THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF LESTER FOLGER WHICKER AND THEIR SUCCESSORS, CARL NELSON FINLEY STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, HANCOCK COUNTY, MS

CROSBY PARKER, DISTRICT ATTORNEY, AND ANY AND ALL PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN THE REAL PROPERTY SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES ON AUGUST 31, 2017
DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: Carl Nelson Finley, his unknown heirs at law and/or successors in interest
Belle Barrett, John Whicker, Sandy Berner, Tommie Logan, Terri Lineberry, Betty L. Romanow, Gerald Oskar Benninger, Lydia Logan, David Whicker, Bettie Logan, Steve Whicker, Gay Jones, Janet Hennings, Kevin Michaels, David Whicker, Burton Whicker, Steve Whicker, James Logan, Jr., Bobby Hartman and Donald Hartman, their unknown heirs-at-law and/or successors in interest

You have been made a Defendant in the petition filed in this Court by Brandon Lenoir, the Petitioner, seeking Complaint TO CONFIRM TAX TITLE.

You are required to mail or hand-deliver a copy of a written response to the Complaint to the Attorney for the Plaintiff, James L. Gray, 101 East Canal Street, Suite E, Post Office Box 1682, Picayune, Mississippi 39466.

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE 8th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2024, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.

You must also file the original of your response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward.

ISSUED UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THIS COURT on this the 5th day of February, 2024.

Tiffany Lee Cowman
Chancery Clerk of Hancock County Mississippi
By: Cassie Tribble, Deputy Clerk

Please Publish: 2/15, 2/22, 2/29

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

CARLA A. CORTEZ-QUINTERO
PLAINTIFF

V. CAUSE NO: 21-639-MA

REGINA LYNN CORTEZ DEFENDANT
SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS
NOTICE OF SALE

WHEREAS, on January 4, 2024, the Chancery Court of

Hancock County, Mississippi entered a Second Corrected Judgment finding that the property sought to be partitioned in the above styled and numbered cause could not be partitioned in kind but rather must be sold at public outcry to achieve an equitable and fair partition of the property. In said order (MEC Document No. 21), the Court appointed the undersigned, Joel L. Blackledge, Attorney at Law, as the Special Commissioner to hold a public sale of said property and that the property be sold at public outcry after advertisement of the same; and, WHEREAS, the property to be sold at public outcry is located in Hancock County, Mississippi and described as follows, to wit: 61.81 acres of land in the Southwest ¼ of Section 19, Township 6 south, Range 14 West, Hancock County, Mississippi, more particularly described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at the Northwest corner of the SW ¼ of Section 19, Township 6 South, Range 14 West, run South 87° 05' East 48.6 feet to the point of beginning; thence continue South 87° 05' East 1267.8 feet; thence North 86° 52' East 392.3 feet; thence South 03° 08' East 25.0 feet; thence North 86° 52' East 25.0 feet; thence South 88° 52' East 318.2 feet; thence North 88° 25' East 231.7 feet; thence North 87° 28' East 412.5 feet; thence North 81° 56' East 23.0 feet; thence South 00° 25' West 1223.2 feet; thence North 89° 43' West 729.4 feet; thence North 00° 07' West 534.0 feet; thence North 89° 43' West 660.0 feet; thence South 00° 07' West 594.0 feet; thence North 89° 53' West 125.00 feet; thence North 00° 07' East 100.0 feet; thence North 89° 53' West 1100.0 feet; thence North 00° 07' East 990.0 feet; thence North 89° 53' West 50.0 feet; thence 00° 07' East 138.2 feet to the point of beginning.

Deed Book 2010 Page 12986.

LESS AND EXCEPT:

A preferential Right of Way consisting of 2.02 acres of land in the Southwest ¼ of Section 19, Township 6 South, Range 14 West, Hancock County, Mississippi, more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Commencing at the Northwest corner of the Southwest ¼ of Section 19, Township. 6 South, Range 14 West; and run South 87° 05' East 48.6 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing South 87° 05' East 1267.8 feet; thence North 86° 52' East 392.3 feet; thence South 03° 08' East 25.0 feet; thence North 86° 52' East 25.0 feet; thence South 00° 07' West 25.2 feet; thence South 86° 52' West 417.4 feet; thence North 87° 05' West 1219.1 feet; thence South 00° 07' West 85.4 feet; thence North 89° 53' West 50.0 feet; thence North 00° 07' East 138.2 feet to the Point of Beginning. LESS AND EXCEPT:

A parcel of land situated and being located in the Northwest ¼ of the Southwest ¼ and the Northeast ¼ of the Southwest ¼ of Section 19, Township 6 South, Range 14 West, Hancock County, Mississippi and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Commencing at a wood fence comer post for the Northwest comer of the Southwest ¼ of Section 19, T 6 S, R 14 W, Hancock County, Mississippi; Thence run S 87° 05' 00" E 48.60 ft.; thence run along the west line of the less and except" parcel described in Deed Book 2010 page 12986, S 00° 07' 00" W 138.20 ft.; thence run along the South line of said "less and except" parcel S 89° 53 00 E 50.00 ft. to the West line of said property conveyed in Deed Book 2010, Page 12986; thence run along said West line N 00° 07' 00" W 85.40 ft. to an iron rod for the Point of Beginning; thence run along the North line of said property S 87° 05' 00 E 1219.10 ft. to an iron rod; thence continue running along the North line of said property N 86° 52' 00" E 417.40 to an iron rod on the West margin of Spruce Street; thence run along said West margin of Spruce Street S 00° 07' 00" W 592.19 ft. to an iron rod; thence run N 89° 27' 19" W 414.19 ft. along the North margin of said Spruce Street to an iron rod; thence run S 00° 27' 35" W 645.02 ft. and along the West line of property conveyed in Deed Book BB-55, page 437 to an iron pipe on the South line of the Northwest ¼ of the Southwest ¼ of said Section 19; thence run along the remains of an old fence on said line N 88° 36' 18" W 121.76 ft. to an iron rod; thence run N 01° 43' 37" E 191.95 ft. to an iron rod on the South line of said property conveyed in Deed Book 2010, page 12986; thence run along said line N 89° 53' 00 W 1100.00 ft. to an iron rod for the Southwest comer of said property; thence run along the west line of said property N 00° 07' 00 E 1075.40 ft. to the point of beginning.

Deed Book 2012 Page 6024

LESS AND EXCEPT:

A parcel of land situated in the Northeast ¼ of the Southwest ¼ of Section 19, Township 6 South, Range 14 West, Hancock County, Mississippi, being more fully described as follows:

Commencing at the recognized Southeast comer of said Northeast ¼ of the Southwest ¼; thence N 00° 13' 40" E along the East line of said Northeast ¼ of the Southwest ¼, 60.00 ft. to the Point of Beginning; thence continue N 00° 13' 40" E

along the said line 1228.88 ft. to a point on the Southern margin of Hayward Ladner Road; thence S 85° 21' 42" W along said Southern margin 356.61 ft. to a point on the East margin of Cortez Court; thence S 00° 13' 40" E along said East margin 666.49 ft. to a point on the South margin of Cortez Court; thence N 89° 08' 51" W along said South margin 417.20 ft. to a point; thence S 00° 22' 23 W 534.00 ft. to a point; thence S 89° 34' 33" E 778.33 ft, to the Point of Beginning, Containing 15.4 acres, more or less.

Deed Book 2013 Page 4755 NOW THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority conferred by the Second Corrected Judgment of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi rendered on January 4, 2024 in the above styled and numbered cause, I, Joel L. Blackledge, as the duly appointed Special Commissioner will on the 5th day of March, 2024, offer for sale and will sell at public outcry, to the highest bidder for cash and/or certified funds, the property described above within legal hours (between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.) at the front door at the County Courthouse of Hancock County, Mississippi located at 152 Main Street, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Special Commissioner, which will occur following Chancery Court confirmation of the sale. The sale of the property is made without representation or warranty of any type by the Special Commissioner, and is an AS-IS, WHERE-IS sale. The sale of the subject property is further subject to Chancery Court confirmation following submission of the Special Commissioners report by the undersigned. WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 29th day of January, 2024.

/s/ Joel L. Blackledge
Joel L. Blackledge
Special Commissioner

PUBLISH: February 8, 2024; February 15, 2024; February 22, 2024; and February 29, 2024

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
HANCOCK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT PETITIONER

VS. NO. 23CH1:23-cv-00594-MA

CINQUE BAMBINI RESPONDENT

NOTICE OF HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Petitioner, Hancock County School District, will call up for hearing its Petition for Exchange of School Property [Dkt. 3] before the Honorable Margaret Alfonso, at the Hancock County Courthouse, 152 Main Street, Suite A, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, or wherever counsel may be heard, on March 11, 2024, at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as counsel may conveniently be heard. Respectfully submitted, this the 31st of January, 2024. HANCOCK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BY: BALCH & BINGHAM LLP

BY: /s/ R. Mark Alexander, Jr. Of Counsel

R. Mark Alexander, Jr. (MS Bar# 100748)
BALCH & BINGHAM LLP
1310 Gulfport Twenty Fifth Avenue
Gulfport, MS 39501
Telephone: (228) 864-9900
Facsimile: (228) 864-8221
malexander@balch.com

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, R. Mark Alexander, Jr. do hereby certify that I have this day filed a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing pleading with the Clerk of Court which sent notification using the MEC system: This the 31st day of January, 2024.

/s/ R. Mark Alexander, Jr. Of Counsel

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF COLIN GOLDER, DECEASED

CAUSE NO.: 23CH1:24-cv-00025-MA

MATTHEW DOUGLAS HILL, PETITIONER

EXECUTORS NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 2nd day of February, 2024, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Colin Golder, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from this date, or they will be forever

barred.

THIS 15th day of February, 2024.

s/MATTHEW DOUGLAS HILL

PUBLISH: February 15, 2024, February 22, 2024, and February 29, 2024

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
CAUSE NO.: 23CH1:24-cv-00042-MA

DEBORAH JANE JOOST, DECEASED

DONALD JOOST, PETITIONER

ADMINISTRATORS NOTICE TO CREDITORS

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK

Letters of Administration having been granted on the 8th day of February, 2024, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Deborah Jane Joost, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from this date, or they will be forever barred.

THIS 15th day of February, 2024.

s/DONALD JOOST

PUBLISH: February 15, 2024, February 22, 2024, February 29, 2024

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
CAUSE NO.: 23CH1:24-cv-00042-MA

DEBORAH JANE JOOST, DECEASED DONALD JOOST, PETITIONER

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: Any and all unknown heirs-at-law of Deborah Jane Joost, deceased whose place of residence, street and post office address are unknown to Petitioner after diligent search and inquiry.

You have been made a Defendant in a Petition to Determine Heirs filed in this Court by Donald Joost, Petitioner, seeking the determination of heirs at law of Deborah Jane Joost, deceased. Defendants other than you in this action are: any person with a claim as an heir-at-law or wrongful death beneficiary of Deborah Jane Joost.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the complaint or petition filed against you in this action at 9:00 o'clock a.m. on the 9th day of April, 2024, in the courtroom of the Harrison County Courthouse, in Gulfport, Mississippi (1801 23rd Ave, Gulfport, MS 39501), and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint or petition.

You are not required to file an answer or pleading but you may do so if you desire.

ISSUED under my hand and the seal of said Court, this the 12th day of February, 2024.

Tiffany Cowman,
Hancock County Chancery Clerk

Bridgette Ladner, D.C.

Publication Dates:
February 22, 2024, February 29, 2024 and March 7, 2024

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

RE: THE GUARDIANSHIP OF

DONSHA PORTIS, JR., A MINOR

CIVIL ACTION NO:23CH1:24-cv-69JP

BY: NYLAH K. YOUNG, DENISE OSBOURNE, and ALONDA HALL

PETITIONERS

DONSHA PORTIS, SR. RESPONDENT

SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: DONSHA PORTIS, SR.

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT

THE COMPLAINT OR PETITION WHICH IS ATTACHED TO THIS SUMMONS IS IMPORTANT AND YOU MUST TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the temporary relief sought in said Complaint or Petition at 9:00 a.m. on the 30th day of April, 2024, in the courtroom of the Harrison County, Chancery Court, Gulfport, Mississippi and in case of your failure to appear and defend a Judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the

Complaint or Petition.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire.

Issued under my hand and seal of said Court, this the 9th day of February, 2024.

TIFFANY COWMAN
CHANCERY CLERK, HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

BY: Cassie Tribble, D.C.

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEES SALE

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated May 20, 2008, executed by DOROTHY J. FAULKNER and FREDERICK M. WELCH conveying certain real property therein described to DEBERA BRIDGES, as Trustee, for CITI-FINANCIAL REAL ESTATE SERVICES, INC., Original Beneficiary, to secure the indebtedness therein described, as same appears of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi filed and recorded May 23, 2008, in Deed Book 2008, Page 20381, and re-recorded February 24, 2010, in Deed Book 2010, Page 4700; and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was transferred and assigned to U.S. Bank Trust National Association, as Trustee of Treehouse Series V Trust; and WHEREAS, Rubin Lublin, LLC has been appointed as Substitute Trustee; and NOW, THEREFORE, the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned so to do, as Substitute Trustee or his duly appointed agent, by virtue of the power, duty and authority vested and imposed upon said Substitute Trustee shall, on March 21, 2024 within the lawful hours of sale between 11:00AM and 4:00PM at the front door of the Court-house proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ONLY, the following described property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to wit:

LOTS 17 AND 18, BLOCK 300, UNIT NO. 5, BAYSIDE PARK, HANCOCK COUNTY, ACCORDING TO A MAP OR PLAT THERE-OF ON FILE AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE CHANCERY CLERK OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI.

ALSO 1983 FLEETWOOD MOBILE HOME SERIAL NO MIFLIAC36254844.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be 7216 WEST GREENE ST BAY, ST LOUIS, MS 39520. In the event of any discrepancy between this street address and the legal description of the property, the legal description shall control.

Title to the above described property is believed to be good, but I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee.

THIS LAW FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Rubin Lublin, LLC
428 North Lamar Blvd, Suite 107
Oxford, MS 38655
rslaw.com/property-listing
Tel: (877) 813-0992
Fax: (470) 508-9401

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SECTION 00010

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

INVITATION TO BID
ELEVATED STORAGE TANK
ALTITUDE VALVE

Sealed bids for the construction of the Elevated Storage Tank Altitude Valve will be received by, and addressed to, Attention: GENERAL MANAGER, DIAMONDHEAD WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT, (OWNER), at the Districts office located at, 4425 Park Ten Drive, Diamondhead, Mississippi 39525, until 2:00 p.m., March 14, 2024. Bids will be opened during the next Diamondhead Water and Sewer District Board of Commissioners Meeting on March 14, 2024 at 4:00 pm at Diamondhead City Hall Council Chambers located at 5000 Diamondhead Circle, Diamondhead, MS 39525.

The Elevated Storage Tank Altitude Valve Project requires the construction of an altitude valve station, enclosure, site-work, and miscellaneous appurtenant work in accordance with the drawings, specifications and contract documents. The project work shall include construction of all facilities and furnishing of all equipment required to complete, test, and make ready for use by the Owner all structures, equipment, and systems as specified in the Contract Documents.

Contract Documents may be examined at:

(1) Digital Engineering & Imaging, Inc., located at 314 Coleman Ave, Waveland, Mississippi 39576; Phone: (228) 463-0130; or

(2) Online at digitalengineering-plans.com

A hard copy or electronic copy of the Contract Documents can be purchased online at www.digitalengineeringplans.com. Documents are non-refundable and must be purchased through the website. For questions regarding the website, online registration or the purchase of documents, please contact Plan House at 228-248-0181.

All questions pertaining to clarification of the bidding documents shall be directed in writing to John M. Stein, PE at jstein@dei.net .

Each Bid shall be submitted in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders and shall be accompanied by the Bid Security (as defined in Section 00100 Instructions to Bidders) in the amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the Bid. The Bid Bond may be from a surety acceptable to the Owner satisfying the requirements specified in the Contract Documents or Certified Check upon a national (legally recognized to conduct business in the State of Mississippi) or state bank, payable without recourse to the Diamondhead Water and Sewer District as a guarantee that the Bidder will within fifteen (15) days after the Notice of Award enter into a Contract. The Successful Bidder must furnish a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond equal to 100% of the Contract amount each with a surety company acceptable to the OWNER and in a form acceptable to the OWNER.

Bids may be modified or withdrawn at any time prior to the time set for opening Bids. Bidders may not withdraw their Bids for a period of ninety (90) calendar days after the actual date of the opening of the Bids.

Complete instructions for filing Bids are included in the Instructions to Bidders.

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held at the Diamondhead Water and Sewer District office meeting trailer located at 4425 Park Ten Drive, Diamondhead, MS 39525 on February 28, 2024 at 10:00 AM.

The Owner reserves the right after opening Bids to reject any or all Bids, to waive any informality (non-responsiveness) in a Bid, or to make award to the lowest and best qualified, responsive, and responsible Bidder and reject all other Bids, as it may best serve the interest of the OWNER.

To be published in The Sea Coast Echo, The Sun Herald, The Diamondhead Water & Sewer District Website (dws.d.us) and Mississippi Procurement Technical Assistance Program (MPTAP) on February 15, 2024 & February 22, 2024.

Forward Proof of Publication and Bill to:

Diamondhead Water & Sewer District
Toni F. Wilson, Comptroller
4425 Park Ten Drive
Diamondhead, MS 39525

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

HAI PHI TRAN PLAINTIFF VS. CIVIL ACTION NO.: 23-cv-610-MA

HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; LYNN FITCH IN HER CAPACITY AS ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI; CROSY PARKER IN HIS CAPACITY AS DISTRICT OF ATTORNEY FOR HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; RYAN CAMPBELL PROPERTIES, LLC; MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; AND ANY AND ALL PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY SOLD FOR TAXES ON AUGUST 30, 2017, VIZ: LOT 4 PH 1 BLUE MEADOW RIDGE, PARCEL #137C-0-42-033.000, PPIN #000057649 DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: 1. Defendants, RYAN CAMPBELL PROPERTIES, LLC; AND ANY AND ALL PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY SOLD FOR TAXES ON AUGUST 30, 2017, VIZ: LOT 4 PH 1 BLUE MEADOW RIDGE, PARCEL #137C-0-42-033.000, PPIN #000057649.

You have been made a Defendants in the suit filed in this Court by Plaintiff, HAI PHI TRAN, seeking to confirm his title to the property described above, acquired from a tax sale on August 30, 2017 for taxes for the year 2016, while assessed to RYAN CAMPBELL PROPERTIES, LLC.

You are required to mail or hand deliver a written response to the Complaint filed against you in this action to DAVID PILGER, Attorney for the Plaintiff whose address is 1406 Bienville Blvd., Suite 101, Ocean Springs, Mississippi, 39564.

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE 8th DAY OF FEBRUARY 2024, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST

PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.

You must also file the original of your response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward.

Issued under my hand and the Seal of said Court, this the 30th day of January, 2024.

Tiffany Cowman, Chancery Clerk
152 Main Street, Suite A
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520

BY: s/ Ashley Holland, D.C.

Publish: 2/08/2024 , 02/15/24, and 02/22/24

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
HANCOCK WHITNEY BANK, PLAINTIFF VS.

JCE COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES, LLC and JOHN C. ELLIS, III. DEFENDANTS
CIVIL ACTION NO. 23CH1:23-cv-00634-CB
NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

This Notice of Commissioner's Sale is given by Paul S. Murphy, Court appointed Commissioner. WHEREAS, JCE Commercial Properties, LLC entered into the following Deeds of Trust in favor of Hancock Whitney Bank ("HWB"):

1. Deed of Trust dated January 7, 2020, in favor of Hancock Whitney Bank, recorded on January 15, 2020 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi in Book 2020 beginning at Page 850; and 2. Deed of Trust dated June 19, 2020, in favor of Hancock Whitney Bank, recorded on June 23, 2020 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi in Book 2020 beginning at Page 14200.

WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of the Deeds of Trust and the entire indebtedness secured by the Deeds of Trust has been declared due and payable in accordance with the terms of the Deeds of Trust, and, pursuant to the Mississippi Constitution and Mississippi Code, HWB sought a judicial decree from the Chancery Court of Hancock County for the sale of the subject properties described in the Deeds of Trust in the matter of Hancock Whitney Bank v. JCE Commercial Properties, LLC and John C. Ellis, III, Cause No. 23CH1:23-cv-00634-CB (the "Litigation"), and to apply the proceeds of the sale to the indebtedness secured thereby; and

WHEREAS, on November 8, 2023, the Circuit Court of Harrison County, Mississippi entered an Agreed Order and Final Judgment (the "Agreed Order and Final Judgment") against JCE Commercial Properties, LLC and John C. Ellis, III (collectively referred to as "JCE"), finding JCE in default under the Deeds of Trust, and finding that HWB, as beneficiary under the valid and binding Deeds of Trust and as Judgement Creditor under the Agreed Order and Final Judgment, is entitled to foreclose JCE's interests in and to the properties described therein;

WHEREAS, on February 6, 2024, the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi entered an Agreed Order to Proceed with Foreclosure Sale and Applicable Procedures, directing the properties described in the Deeds of Trust to be sold at public auction pursuant to the terms set forth in the Order, and appointing Paul S. Murphy as Commissioner to conduct said sale;

NOW THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the Court's appointed Commissioner, Paul S. Murphy, will on FRIDAY, MARCH 15, 2024, between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. offer for sale and sell at the front steps of the Hancock County Courthouse at 152 Main Street, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash the following property located in Hancock County, Mississippi:

The subject property to be sold is as follows:

i. Pt. NE ¼ Sec. 3, T8S, R14W, Hancock Co., MS and more commonly known as 10 acres along Noma Drive, Diamondhead, MS 39525, Legal Description attached hereto as Exhibit A at 1-2.

ii. Pt. of Lot 227, 1st Ward, Bay St. Louis, Hancock Co., MS and more commonly known as 100 Hickory Lane, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520. Legal Description attached hereto as Exhibit A at 3.

Payment must be by immediately available funds paid in cash, by electronic funds transfer or by other manner of immediate payment satisfactory to the commissioner and HWB, but no part of the purchase price will be financed.

The Commissioner shall be entitled to inquire about the ability of any prospective bidder to pay according to the terms of the sale, and to decline to accept bids from any prospective bidders who cannot provide evidence of being able to comply with the terms of the sale.

HWB shall be allowed to bid at the sale for credit on the indebtedness, at its discretion.

The aforementioned subject property may be sold as a whole, or sold as separate interests, at the election of the Commissioner.

Proceeds of the sale shall be placed in escrow to be disbursed according to this Court's final decree confirming the foreclosure sale. If the Court does not confirm the sale, the proceeds in escrow shall be returned to the highest bidder.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the sale is subject to the conditions set forth in that certain Agreed Order filed February 6, 2024, in the matter of Hancock Whitney Bank v. JCE Commercial Properties, LLC and John C. Ellis, III, Cause No. 23CH1:23-cv-00634-CB, in the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, and that a hearing to confirm the sale will be held on a date to be determined, prior to confirmation of the sale, before the Honorable Carter Bise.

I WILL CONVEY only such interest as vested in me as Commissioner. Dated this 19th day of February, 2024.

/s/ Paul S. Murphy
Commissioner
Of Counsel to Hancock Whitney Bank:
Paul S. Murphy (MB # 101396)
BUTLER SNOW LLP
1300 25th Avenue, Suite 204
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Publish:
February 22, 2024
February 29, 2024
March 7, 2024
March 14, 2024

EXHIBIT A
PARCEL 1: A parcel of land located in Section 3, Township 8 South, Range 14 West, Hancock County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows: COMMENCING at an iron rod at the Northwest corner of Lot 4, Block 7, Unit 10, Phase 2, DIAMONDHEAD SUBDIVISION, Hancock County, Mississippi; thence along the rear lot line on a curve with a radius of 710.00 feet in a Southeasterly direction to an iron rod being South 27 degrees 59 minutes 05 seconds East 71.95 feet; thence run South 51 degrees 14 minutes 23 seconds West 126.59 feet to an iron rod; thence run on a curve with a radius of 50.00 feet in a Southerly direction to an iron rod being South 15 degrees 43 minutes 18 seconds West 81.39 feet; thence run along the West boundary of existing church property South 19 degrees 47 minutes 47 seconds East 135.10 feet to an iron rod; thence further along said West boundary South 00 degrees 16 minutes 40 seconds East 170.05 feet to an iron rod on the North margin of Noma Drive; thence along said margin run South 85 degrees 40 minutes 45 seconds West 61.67 feet to an iron rod at the P.C. in said margin; thence along said margin on a curve with a radius of 1,124.22 feet to a point being South 73 degrees 53 minutes 06 seconds West 582.39 feet and located in an existing drainage ditch; thence along said ditch run North 31 degrees 15 minutes 32 seconds West 179.11 feet to a point; thence further along said ditch run North 49 degrees 04 minutes 24 seconds West 156.40 feet to a point; thence further along said ditch North 07 degrees 46 minutes 34 seconds West 238.84 feet to a point; thence further along said ditch run North 08 degrees 26 minutes 31 seconds East 193.18 feet to a point; thence run North 89 degrees 54 minutes 53 seconds East 876.50 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING, containing 10.927 acres, more or less.

Being the same property described in that Warranty Deed from Purcell Co., Inc. (formerly Diamondhead Corp.), dated 04/14/92 and recorded 04/15/92 in Book BB-72, Page 78; and, in that Corrected Warranty Deed dated 08/21/06 and recorded 08/30/06 in Book 2006, Page 13062, all in in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. AND ALSO:
PARCEL 2: A parcel of land located in Section 3, Township 8 South, Range 14 West, Hancock County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows: COMMENCING at an iron rod at the Northwest corner of Lot 4, Block 7, Unit 10, Phase 2, DIAMONDHEAD SUBDIVISION, Hancock County, Mississippi; thence South 89 degrees 54 minutes 53 seconds West 164.93 feet to an iron rod at the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence North 00 degrees 10 minutes 44 seconds West 20.00 feet to a point; thence South 89 degrees 54 minutes 53 seconds East 711.62 feet to a point; thence South 00 degrees 10 minutes 44 seconds East 20.00 feet to a point; thence North 89 degrees 54 minutes 53 seconds East 711.62 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING, said parcel containing 0.33 acres, more or less.

Being the same property described in that Warranty Deed from Purcell Co., Inc., dated and recorded 03/23/04 in Book BB-280, Page 291; and, Corrected Warranty Deed dated 08/21/06 and recorded 08/30/06 in Book 2006, Page 13065, all in in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

AND ALSO:
UTILITY EASEMENT granted by Purcell Co., Inc. to JCE Commercial Properties, Inc. dated 07/13/2004, which is more fully described, and recorded on 07/23/2004 in Book BB-288, Page 616, in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock Co., MS. LESS AND EXCEPT: A parcel of land located in Section 3, Township 8 South, Range 14 West, Hancock County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows: COMMENCING at an iron rod at the Northwest corner of Lot 4, Block 7, Unit 10, Phase 2, DIAMONDHEAD, Hancock County, Mississippi as the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence along the rear line of said Block 7 on a curve with a radius of 710.0 feet in a Southeasterly direction to an iron rod being South 27 degrees 59 minutes 05 seconds East 71.96 feet; thence run South 51 degrees 14 minutes 23 seconds West 126.59 feet to an iron rod; thence run on a curve with a radius of 50 feet in a Southerly direction to an iron rod being South 15 degrees 43 minutes 18 seconds 81.39 feet; thence along the West boundary of existing church property, South 19 degrees 47 minutes 47 seconds East 135.10 feet to an iron rod; thence further along said West boundary, South 00 degrees 16 minutes 40 seconds East 170.05 feet to an iron rod on the North margin of Noma Drive; thence along said margin run South 85 degrees 40 minutes 45 seconds West 61.67 feet to an iron rod at the point of curvature of said margin; thence along a curve of said margin with a radius of 1,124.22 feet in a Southwesterly direction to an iron rod being South 87 degrees 55 minutes 13 seconds West 38.33 feet; thence North 00 degrees 11 minutes 58 seconds West 459.06 feet to an iron rod; thence North 19 degrees 33 minutes 55 seconds West 69.03 feet to an iron rod; thence? North 89 degrees 54 minutes 53 seconds East 164.94 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING, containing 1.244 acres, more or less.

3.Beginning at the Southwest corner of Lot 227 of the First Ward of the City of Bay St. Louis, on the Eastern line of Second Street; thence South 70° East along the line between Lot Nos. 227 and 229, 140.4 feet; thence North 20° East 80.5 feet; thence North 70° West 138.6 feet to a stake; thence along the perimeter of a circle whose radius is 20.42 feet to the Eastern line of Second Street; thence Southerly along said line of said street 59.8 feet to the Place of Beginning. Being a part of Lot No. 227 of the First Ward of the City of Bay St. Louis, as per the present official plat of said City made by E. S. Drake, C. E., and on file in the office of the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi.

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
CAUSE NO.: 23CH1:23-cv-00601-JS
IRVAN CONNERS, JR., DECEASED
IRVAN CONNERS, III, PETITIONER

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: Any and all unknown heirs-at-law of Irvan Connors, Jr., deceased whose place of residence, street and post of

face address are unknown to Petitioner after diligent search and inquiry.

You have been made a Defendant in a Petition to Determine Heirs filed in this Court by Irvan Connors, III, Petitioner, seeking the determination of heirs at law of Irvan Connors, Jr., deceased. Defendants other than you in this action are: any person with a claim as an heir-at-law or wrongful death beneficiary of Irvan Connors, Jr.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the complaint or petition filed against you in this action at 9:30 oclock a.m. on the 13th day of March, 2024, in the courtroom of the Harrison County Courthouse, in Gulfport, Mississippi (1801 23rd Ave, Gulfport, MS 39501), and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint or petition.

You are not required to file an answer or pleading but you may do so if you desire.

ISSUED under my hand and the seal of said Court, this the 2nd day of February, 2024.

Tiffany Cowman,
Hancock County Chancery Clerk
s/Cassie Tribble, D.C.

Publication Dates:
February 8, 2024, February 15, 2024 and February 22, 2024

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

DEAN MORRIS, LLC, IN ITS CAPACITY AS SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE PLAINTIFF

VS.
CAUSE NO.:23-439-JP

JAMES P. OSBORN AND UNITED STATES SMALL BUSINESS ADMINSTRATION, solely as junior lienholder DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: Defendant James P. Osborn whose last known address was 4003 Kyushu Street, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 and current post office address and street address are unknown to the Plaintiff after diligent search and inquiry to ascertain same.

The Complaint against you, which is on file at the Chancery Clerks office of Hancock County, Mississippi, in the above numbered cause, is important and you must take immediate action to protect your rights.

You are required to mail or hand deliver a written response to the Complaint filed against you in this action to Elizabeth Crowell Price, Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 855 S Pear Orchard, Ste 404, Bldg 400, Ridgeland, MS 39157.

YOU RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 7TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2024 WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.

You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward.

Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 26th day of October 2023.

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR
HANCOCK COUNTY CHANCERY CLERK
152 MAIN STREET, STE A
BAY ST. LOUIS, MS 39520

(SEAL)

BY: Cassie Tribble, D.C.

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEES NOTICE OF SALE

WHEREAS, on October 10, 2019, Jerrod Donovan Grimes, a single man executed a deed of trust for the benefit of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as beneficiary, as nominee for Quicken Loans, Inc., its successors and assigns, which deed of trust was recorded on October 15, 2019, in Book 2019, Page 23237 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; and Said Deed of Trust was last sold, assigned and transferred to Rocket Mortgage, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans Inc. by assignment recorded Book 2022, Page 7609 in the office of the Chancery Clerk, Hancock County, Mississippi. WHEREAS, the holder of the deed of trust at the time of the substitution substituted McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC as Trustee, as authorized by the terms thereof, by instrument recorded on February 5, 2024, and spread at large upon the records in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 2024, Page 2200, prior to the posting and publication of this notice; and

WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of the deed of trust, and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of the

deed of trust, and the legal holder of said indebtedness, Rocket Mortgage, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans Inc.has requested the undersigned Substitute Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land, property and improvements in accordance with the terms of the deed of trust for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, Substitute Trustees fees and expenses of sale;

THEREFORE, on March 14, 2024, the undersigned Substitute Trustee in the deed of trust, will offer for sale at public outcry and sell to the highest bidder for cash, within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.) at the front door of the Hancock County Courthouse in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, the following described land, property and improvements lying and being situate in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit:

Tax Id Number(s):
067M135079000

Land situated in the County of Hancock in the State of MS

INDEX AS FOLLOWS:

Lots 9 and 10, Block 5, Unit 6, Diamondhead, Phase 2, according to the map or plat thereof on file and of record in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi,

Commonly known as: 85542 Diamondhead Dr W, Diamondhead, MS 39525-4302

THE PROPERTY ADDRESS AND TAX PARCEL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER LISTED ARE PROVIDED SOLELY FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES I WILL CONVEY only such title as is vested in the Substitute Trustee.
WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 13th day of February, 2024

/-s/ Robert M. Peebles, III
McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC
Substitute Trustee
1022 Highland Colony Parkway, Suite 304
Ridgeland, MS 39157-2049
(662) 388-5464
Foreclosuerehtline.net
File No.: 24-02803MS
PUBLISH:
02/22/2024,02/29/2024,03/07/2024

SECTION 00090
ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

NOTICE: Bidders

Sealed Bids will be received by the HANCOCK COUNTY PORT & HARBOR COMMISSION at 14054 Fred & Al Key Road, Kiln, MS, until 10:00a.m. on Thursday March 21, 2024, and shortly thereafter opened and read for the construction of:
JOINT AIRBORNE LIDAR BATHYMETRY TECHNICAL CENTER OF EXPERTISE (JALBTCX FACILITY). Scope of work includes new building construction of approximately 11,528 sf of administration office and technical support spaces, and associated site work. Project Documents may be examined at the HANCOCK COUNTY PORT & HARBOR COMMISSION, 14054 Fred & Al Key Road, Kiln, MS or at the office of the Design Architect, RCL Architecture, PLLC, 900 W. Causeway Approach, Mandeville, LA 70471 or online at www.portairspacework.com. Cost of bid documents is non-refundable and bid documents must be purchased through the website. Return of documents is not required. All plan holders are required to have a valid email address for online registration. For information regarding website registration and online orders please contact Plan House Printing at 228-248-0181. For information regarding this project, contact Architects office, RCL Architecture, PLLC at 985-727-4440 in Mandeville, La. Email pdimitrios@rclconsultants.com.

The BID SCHEDULE may be viewed utilizing the Mississippi Procurement Technical Assistance Program (MPTAP) website at https://mspcpc.com/[mspcpc.com]

Any contract awarded under this Invitation for Bids may be paid for in whole or in part with grant funding from the United States Department of the Treasury (Treasury) and the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) under the Resources and Ecosystems Sustainability, Tourist Opportunities, and Revived Economies of the Gulf Coast States Act of 2012 (RESTORE Act). Any contract resulting from this solicitation will be subject to the terms and conditions of the funding award, the RESTORE Act Financial Assistance Standard Terms and Conditions and Program-Specific Terms and Conditions, the Standard Sub-Award Terms and Conditions, the RESTORE Act, 33 U. S. C. 1321(f), Treasury Regulations 31 C. F. R. § 34 et seq., including 31 C. F. R. §§ 34, Subpart D, all applicable terms and conditions in 2 C. F. R. Part 200 (including Appendix II to Part 200), and all other OMB circulars, executive orders or other federal laws or regulations, as applicable. Notwithstanding the above, neither MDEQ nor Treasury, or any of their agents, representatives, or employees, is or will be a party to this Invitation for Bids or any resulting contract. Further, any contractor awarded a contract under this Invitation for Bids shall not be deemed to be an agent, representative, employee, or servant of MDEQ or Treasury.

Minority and womens business enterprises are solicited to bid on this contract as prime contractors and are encouraged to make inquiries regarding potential subcontracting opportunities and equipment, material and/or supply needs. All bidders must make positive efforts to use small and minority owned business and women business enterprises. Sealed paper bids may be submitted to the Hancock Port & Harbor Commission at 14054 Fred & Al Key Road, Kiln, MS. Electronic bids can be submitted at www.portairspacework.com. For any questions relating to the electronic bidding process, please call Plan House Printing at 662-407-0193. A pre-bid conference has been scheduled for 10:00a.m. on Monday, March 4, 2024, at the Multipurpose Room Stennis International Airport at 7250 Stennis Airport Rd, Kiln, MS 39556.The right is reserved by the Owner to reject any or all bids, to waive any informalities, and to award the Contract to serve the best interest of Owner. By submitting a proposal, each bidder waives any and all claims for damages against Owner concerning any failure or decision of Owner to not accept the bid.

Authorized Representative of Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission

By: Blaine LaFontaine, Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission, Executive Director

Date:
On 2/15/24 & 2/22/24

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN RE: ESTATE OF

MARY E. HAZEUR, DECEASED
CAUSE NO. 23CH1:24-cv-0051-CB

SUMMONS

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: HEIRS AT LAW OF MARY E. HAZEUR, DECEASED, AND ANY AND ALL PERSONS HAVING AN INTEREST OR CLAIM IN THE BELOW DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY.

You have been made a Defendant in this suit filed in this Court by Denise Chisley seeking judicial declaration of the heirs at law of MARY E. HAZEUR, deceased. The Defendants other than you in this action are: Honore Hazeur, Jr., Honorene Hazeur, Darren Hazeur, Deborah McCurtis, Cedric Hazeur and Norene Agnes Williams, now deceased, who are alleged to be the sole heirs of the decedent. The real property owned by decedent at her death is described as follows:

The East One-Half of Lot four (East 1/2 of Lot 4) rear of the Second Ward of the City of Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said City, ward, and lands in the rear of said City and Ward made by E.S. Drake, and filed in the office of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, on May 1st, 1923.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the Petition filed against you in this action at 9:00 a.m. on March 20, 2024, in the Chancery Courtroom at the Harrison County Courthouse, 2nd Judicial District, 730 Dr. Martin Luther King Boulevard, Biloxi Mississippi and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the Petition.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleadings but you may do so if you so desire.

ISSUED under my hand and seal of office, this the 30th day of January, 2024.

Tiffany Lee Cowman, Chancery Clerk

By: Ashley Holland, D.C.
152 Main Street, Ste. A
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
(228) 467-5406

(SEAL)

Michael D. Haas, Jr., MS Bar No. 5091
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Publish Dates: 2/8/2024; 2/15/2024; 2/22/2024

MICHELLE W. RABALAIS AND CLIFFORD J. RABALAIS, TRUSTEES OF THE RABALAIS FAMILY IRREVOCABLE TRUST, MANAGER/MEMBER OF SIALABAR MANAGEMENT CO., LLC, PLAINTIFFS VERSUS

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, LYNN FITCH; COUNTY OF HANCOCK, OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY, W. CROSBY PARKER; SCUNDINO TOMAS FIGUERO, if living, if deceased, then his unknown heirs at law, legatees and/or devisees; MERCEDES HINOJOSA FIGUERO, if living, if deceased, then her unknown heirs at law, legatees and/or devisees; and any other persons, individuals, partnerships, firms, and/or corporations having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in and to certain real property described as Parcel Number 138D-0-47-072.000; LOT 6, BLOCK 805, SHORELINE PARK SUBDIVISION UNIT 8, HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, DEFENDANTS; CIVIL ACTION NO. 23CH1:24-cv-71-JS

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION TO: SCUNDINO TOMAS FIGUERO, IF LIVING, IF DECEASED, THEN HIS UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW, DEVISEES AND/OR LEGATEES; AND MERCEDES HINOJOSA FIGUERO, IF LIVING, IF DECEASED, THEN HER UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW, DEVISEES AND/OR LEGATEES. NOTICE: You have been made Defendants in the suit filed in this Court by Michelle W. Rabalais and Clifford J. Rabalais, Trustees of the Rabalais Family Irrevocable Trust, Manager/Member of Sialabar Management Co., LLC, Plaintiff, seeking to Quiet and Confirm Title. Suit filed as listed above. After a diligent search and inquiry of public records the defendant herein is made a party by this publication of notice as set forth under MS Rule of Civil Procedures 4(c)(4). If you have a legal or equitable claim or interest in or to this property, you are required to mail or hand deliver a written response to the Complaint filed against you in this action to: Eugene J. Hoffman, IV, Attorney for Plaintiff, whose street address is 311 E. Second Street, Pass Christian, Mississippi 39571. Your response must be mailed or delivered not later than Thirty (30) Days after the 15th day of February, 2024, which is the first date of the publication of this Summons. OTHERWISE, YOUR RESPONSE HAS NOT BEEN SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT HAS BEEN ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT. You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward. The address of the Clerk is 152 Main Street, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39520. Tiffany Cowman, Chancery Clerk, Hancock County, MS; Dated: 2/9/2024 By: Cassie Tribble Eugene J. Hoffman, IV, Esq., MS Bar # 104994 311 E. Second Street, Pass Christian, Mississippi 39571 Tel. 228-323-3330 Dates of Publication: 1) 2/15/2024 2) 2/22/2024 3) 2/29/2024

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

ESTATE OF PAMELA FLENIKEN YODER, DECEASED
CIVIL ACTION FILE NO. 23-CV-649 JP

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 24th day of January, 2024, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned Executor of the Estate of Pamela Fleniken Yoder, Deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against this Estate to present such claims to the Clerk of this Court for probate and registration according to law, within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this notice, or such claims will be forever barred. THIS the 7th day of February, 2024.

/s/ Virginia Yoder Dodd

Virginia Yoder Dodd
Executor
Estate of Pamela Fleniken Yoder, Deceased

A. M. EDWARDS, III (MBN 5478)
PHELPS DUNBAR, LLP
POST OFFICE BOX 16114
JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI 39236-6114
TELEPHONE: (601) 352-2300
eddy.edwards@phelps.com

SECTION 00090
ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

PORT BIENVILLE BARGE FLEETING AREA
Project No. PB2304
HANCOCK COUNTY PORT & HARBOR COMMISSION

Electronic or sealed Bids for construction of Port Bienville Barge Fleeting Area Project No. PB2304 will be received by the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission, located at 14054 Fred & Al Key Road, Kiln, Mississippi 39556, until 10:00 A.M. Local Time, March 15, 2024, then bids will be publicly opened and read. Any bids received after the time and date specified will not be considered and will be returned.

All bids must be addressed to the HANCOCK COUNTY PORT & HARBOR COMMISSION of Hancock County, Mississippi; marked SEALED BID TO OPENED AT 10:00 A.M., March 15, 2024, and specify the name of the bid project. If bid is submitted by mail, the address of the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission is 14054 Fred & Al Key Road, Kiln, MS 39556. If bid is hand-delivered, the street address of the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission is 14054 Fred & Al Key Road, Kiln, MS 39556.

When bids are submitted electronically, the same requirements for submitting sealed bids shall apply. Electronic bids shall be submitted online at

www.portairspacework.com and shall include a document on the first page stating the same language required on the face of the sealed envelope.

A pre-bid meeting for this project will be held on Tuesday, March 5th, 2024, at 2:00 P.M., Local Time at the Port Bienville Industrial Park, David M. McDonald Training Center, 3060 Port and Harbor Drive, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520. All perspective Bidders are invited to attend.

The project generally consists of:

Installation of four new mooring dolphins, removal/replacement of two mooring dolphins, and other associated work.

The above general outline of features of the work does not in any way limit the responsibility of the Contractor to perform all work and furnish all plant, labor, equipment, and materials required by the specifications and the drawings referred to therein.

The Contractor will commence the work required by the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS within 10 calendar days after the date of the NOTICE TO PROCEED and Substantial Completion of the project will be obtained within 120 consecutive calendar days of the NOTICE TO PROCEED date unless the period for completion is extended otherwise by the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS. The Contractor shall be liable for the continued assessment of liquidated damages at \$1,000.00 for each calendar day that the Contractor is in default in attaining Final Completion within the time stipulated as provided herein.

Bidder must be qualified under Mississippi Law and show current Certificate of Responsibility issued by the Mississippi State Board of Public Contractors establishing its classification as to the value and type of construction on which it is authorized to bid. Contractors submitting a written sealed bid must write their current Mississippi Certificate of Responsibility Number on the outside of the sealed envelope containing their Bid as well as on their Bid. If the Bid is being submitted electronically through the Online Plan Room, the Mississippi Certificate of Responsibility Number must be included on the cover page and profile of the electronic bid submittal.

Proposals shall be submitted in duplicate, sealed and deposited with the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission prior to the hour and date hereinbefore designated. No bidder may withdraw its bid within 60 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

Each Bidder must deposit with his proposal, a Bid Bond in an amount equal to 5% (five) percent of its bid, payable to the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission, as bid security. The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Payment Bond and Performance Bond each in the amount of 100 percent of the contract amount.

Contract Drawings, Contract Specifications, Instructions to Bidders and Bidders Proposal forms are on file and open to public inspection in the office of the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission, 14054 Fred & Al Key Road, Kiln, Mississippi. Bid documents are being made available via paper or digital copy. All interested bidders are required to log-in or register for an account at www.portairspacework.com to view and order Bid Documents. All plan holders are required to have a valid email address for registration. Bid documents are non-refundable and must be purchased through this website. Questions regarding website registration and online orders should be directed to Plan House Printing at (228) 248-0181. Any questions that bidders might have should be directed to Neel-Schaffer, Inc., 3036 Longfellow Drive, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 to the attention of Alex Davis or via email at alex.davis@neel-schaffer.com.

Minority and womens business enterprises are solicited to bid on this contract as prime contractors and are encouraged to make inquiries regarding potential subcontracting opportunities, equipment, materials and/or supply needs.

The Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission hereby notifies all Bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged and women's business enterprises will be afforded the full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.

The Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informalities or irregularities therein.

By: Blaine LaFontaine, Executive Director/CEO
Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission

DATES OF PUBLICATION:
February 15, 2024
February 22, 2024

The Bay St. Louis Planning & Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing on March 13, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. in the Bay St. Louis

Conference Center located at 598 Main St., ph: (228)469-9121.

BACHE Application for a variance to the Zoning Ordinance submitted by Robert and Michele Bache. The applicants are requesting to add an additional to their dwelling and are requesting a variance of 12', resulting in an 8' setback to the rear yard. The property is located at 528 State Street, Parcel 149E-0-29-247.004, PT 472 1ST WARD BAY ST LOUIS. The property is zoned R-3 multi-family district.

BEHRENS Application for a variance to the Zoning Ordinance submitted by Shelby and Cory Behrens. The applicants intend to construct a single family dwelling and are requesting a variance of 8', resulting in 17' setback to the front yard. A variance of 8' resulting in 13' setback to the rear yard, and a variance of 3' resulting in a 5' setback to the side yard. The property is located at 515 Genin Street, parcel 149E-0-29-144.001, 9BLK 1 GRAHAM HEIGHTS SD. The property is zoned R-3 multi-family district.

CITY OF BSL Application for amendment to the official zoning map submitted by the city of Bay St. Louis. The parcels include 149E-0-29-068.000, PT58, 61 & 62 (PARK EX-EMPT) CARROLL. Parcel 149E-0-29-067.001, 65A & B CARROLL SUBD. Parcel 149E-0-29-067.000, PT LOT 65 CARROLL PLAT FIRST WARD BSL. The zoning change will convert these parcels from R-3 multi-family to C-2 Neighborhood commercial district. The parcels are at 402 Dunbar, 404 Dunbar Avenue, and McDonald Park.

CITY OF BSL Application for Text Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance, Article IX SIGN REGULATIONS Section 904.2 OFF-PREMISE OUTDOOR ADVERTISING (BILLBOARDS). The proposed text amendment will strike on the text in Section 904.2 OFF-PREMISE OUTDOOR ADVERTISING (BILLBOARDS) and replace it with the following. 904.2 OFF-PREMISE OUTDOOR ADVERTISING (BILLBOARDS) A) Billboards are not allowed in the City of Bay St Louis. All legal billboards that were built before the adoption of this Ordinance will be considered Grandfathered and will not be removed unless they are in such a state of disrepair that would require repairs exceeding fifty percent (50%) of the total value of a new structure built at the current price. If the value of repairs exceeds fifty percent (50%) of the total structure or defined value and the original structure does not comply with the terms of this Ordinance, the sign cannot be repaired and must be completely removed.

Additional information for the above mentioned is available for review during the hours of 8a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, at City Hall, 688 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis. Ph: (228)469-9121. All interested parties are urged to attend. CAITLIN BOURGEOIS PLANNING AND ZONING SECRETARY

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE ESTATE OF RONALD P. ROUSSET, REBECCA ROUSSET RAYMOND, PETITIONER CIVIL ACTION: 23CH1:21-CV-189(CB) NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NOTICE is hereby given that Letters Testamentary on the Estate of RONALD P. ROUSSET, Deceased, were granted to Rebecca Rousset Raymond by the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 6th day of April 2021, and all persons having said claims against said Estate are hereby notified to present said claims to the Clerk of said Court and have them probated and allowed within ninety (90) days from date of first publication hereof. Failure to do so will bar the claim. Respectfully submitted on this the 19th day February 2024. /s/ Rebecca Rousset Raymond, Executor of the Estate of Ronald P. Rousset
02/22/24, 02/29/24, 03/07/24

Section 901
ADVERTISEMENT
Hancock County, MISSISSIPPI
Federal Aid Project No. STP-0030-00(042)LPA/107961-701000

The City of Bay Saint Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi, will receive bids for the installation of sidewalk and drainage along Beyer Drive, Federal Aid Project No. STP-0030-00(042)LPA/107961-701000 no later than, 10:30 a.m., Local Time, 03/19/2024, at the Bay Saint Louis City Hall located at 688 Highway 90, Bay Saint Louis, Mississippi. All bids received will be publicly opened and read aloud. The work shall consist essentially of the following items: Construction of sidewalks, drainage, overlay, and striping. All other related items of work required to complete the project as shown and specified in the Contract Documents. The above general outline of features of the work does not in any way limit the responsibility of the contractor to perform all work and furnish all plant, labor, equipment, and materials required by the specifications and the drawings referred to therein. The attention of bidders is

directed to the Contract Provisions governing the selection and employment of labor. Minimum wage rates for Federal-Aid projects have been predetermined by the Secretary of Labor and are subject to Public Law 87-581 Work Hours Act of 1962, as set forth in the Contract Provisions. The City of Bay Saint Louis of Hancock County hereby notifies all Bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged and womens business enterprises will be afforded the full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, age, disability or national origin in consideration for an award. The award of this contract will be contingent upon the Contractor satisfying the DBE/WBE requirements. The Contract Documents are on file and may be examined at the following locations:
1. 688 Highway 90, Bay Saint Louis, Mississippi 39520.
2. Chiniche Engineering & Surveying, 407 Hwy 90, Bay Saint Louis, Mississippi 39520
Each bid shall be accompanied by a Cashiers check, a Certified Check on a solvent bank or a Bidders Bond issued by a Surety Company licensed to operate in the State of Mississippi, in the amount of five percent (5%) of the total bid price, payable to the City of Bay Saint Louis as bid security. Bidders shall also submit a current financial statement if requested by the County. The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Performance Bond and a Payment bond each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount. The proposal and contract documents in its entirety shall be submitted in a sealed envelope and deposited with the City of Bay Saint Louis, 688 Highway 90, Bay Saint Louis, Mississippi prior to the hour and date above designated. No stripped bids will be accepted.

Plans and specifications are being made available via hard copy or digital download. Plan Holders are required to log in or register for an account to view or order bid documents at www.baystlouis-msbids.com. Bid documents are non-refundable and must be purchased through the website. Questions regarding website registration and online orders are to contact the Plan House at (228) 248-0181. No partial sets of drawings or project manuals will be issued. No contract documents (hard copies or electronic copies) will be issued to Contractors within twenty-four (24) hours of the time indicated above for receiving bids. Work to be performed shall be in accordance with the Mississippi State Highway Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, 2017, together with all amendments and/or special provisions and/or addenda to the standards duly approved and adopted, unless otherwise noted in these specifications. The attention of Bidders is directed to the provisions of Sub-section 102.07 pertaining to irregular proposals and rejection of bids.

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Section 901
ADVERTISEMENT
Hancock County, MISSISSIPPI
Federal Aid Project No. STP-9357-00(001)LPA/107955-701000

The City of Bay Saint Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi, will receive bids for the installation of sidewalk and parking improvements along Washington Street for a total project length of 620 feet, Federal Aid Project No. STP-9357-00(001)LPA/107955-701000 no later than 10:00 a.m., Local Time, 03/19/2024, at the Bay Saint Louis City Hall located at 688 Highway 90, Bay Saint Louis, Mississippi. All bids received will be publicly opened and read aloud.

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SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEES NOTICE OF SALE

WHEREAS, on December 28, 2018, Stephen Nussbaum, an unmarried man executed a deed of trust for the benefit of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as beneficiary, as nominee for Prime-lending, a Plainscapital Company, which deed of trust was recorded on January 2, 2019, in Book 2019, Page 338 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; and Said Deed of Trust was last sold, assigned and transferred to Nationstar Mortgage LLC by assignment recorded Book 2022, Page 2451 in the office of the Chancery Clerk, Hancock County, Mississippi.

WHEREAS, the holder of the deed of trust at the time of the substitution substituted McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC as Trustee, as authorized by the terms thereof, by instrument recorded on January 29, 2024, and spread at large upon the records in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 2024, Page 1627, prior to the posting and publication of this notice; and WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of the deed of trust, and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of the deed of trust, and the legal holder of said indebtedness, Nationstar Mortgage LLC has requested the undersigned Substitute Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land, property and improvements in accordance with the terms of the deed of trust for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, Substitute Trustees fees and expenses of sale;

THEREFORE, on March 7, 2024, the undersigned Substitute Trustee in the deed of trust, will offer for sale at public outcry and sell to the highest bidder for cash, within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.) at the front door of the Hancock County Courthouse in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, the following described land, property and improvements lying and being situate in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit:

LOT 54, BLOCK 4, FIRST ADDITION TO UNIT 8, DIAMONDHEAD, PHASE 1, A SUBDIVISION OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AS PER THE OFFICIAL MAP OR PLAT THEREOF ON FILE AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE CHANCERY CLERK OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI.

I WILL CONVEY only such title as is vested in the Substitute Trustee.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 6th day of February, 2024

/s-/ Robert M. Peebles, III
McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC
Substitute Trustee
1022 Highland Colony Parkway, Suite 304
Ridgeland, MS 39157-2049
(662) 388-5464
Foreclosurehotline.net

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SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEES NOTICE OF SALE

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF Hancock

WHEREAS, on the 25th day of February, 2008, Tasha M Favre, and Jess Favre, wife and husband, executed and delivered a certain Deed of Trust unto CTC Real Estate Services, Trustee for Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Countrywide Bank, FSB, Beneficiary, to secure an indebtedness therein described, which Deed of Trust is recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi in Deed of Trust Book 2008 at Page 11222; and

WHEREAS, on the 1st day of November, 2016, the Holder of said Deed of Trust filed a Loan Modification Agreement of Deed of Trust by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk of Court in Deed of Trust Book 2016 at Page 23435

WHEREAS, by various assignments on record said Deed of Trust was ultimately assigned to U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as owner trustee for GS Mortgage-Backed Securities Trust 2022-RPL2 by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Deed of Trust Book 2023 at Page 27129; and

WHEREAS, on the 17th day of January, 2024 the Holder of said Deed of Trust substituted and appointed Dean Morris, LLC as Substitute Trustee by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Deed of Trust Book 2024 at Page 1028; and

WHEREAS, default having been made in the payments of the indebtedness secured by the said Deed of Trust, and the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned so to do, on the 29th day of February, 2024, I will during the lawful hours of between 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., at public outcry, offer for sale and will sell, at the front door of the Hancock County courthouse L, 152 Main Street, Suite A at the north facing front door at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest bidder, the following described land and property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit:

Lots 1,2,3,4, Square 56, as per plat of Bay St. Louis Land & Improvements Company's Subdivision or part of Bay St. Louis Land & Improvements Company's First Addition to Bay St. Louis and Waveland, Mississippi, said plat of said Subdivision being dated April 27, 1987, and file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

I will only convey such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 1st day of February, 2024.

Dean Morris, LLC
Substitute Trustee
855 S Pear Orchard Rd., Ste. 404, Bldg. 400
Ridgeland, MS 39157
(318) 330-9020

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NOTICE

OF ABANDONED VEHICLES
The following vehicles listed below will be sold starting March 9, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. at the location below:

TOW BIZ LLC
10016 Hwy. 603
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
(228)-493-4210

RED 2003 MAZDA TRIBUTE
VIN # 4F2CZ94133KM31919

BLUE 1997 DODGE RAM 1500
VIN# 3B7HC13Z5VM587665

02/15, 02/22, 02/29/2024

NOTICE

OF ABANDONED VEHICLES
The following vehicles listed below will be sold starting March 02, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. at the location below:

TOW BIZ LLC
10016 Hwy. 603
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
(228)-493-4210

WHITE 2011 TOYOTA CAMRY
VIN# 4T1BF3EKXBU594123

BLUE 1992 CHRYSLER LEBARON
VIN# 1C3XU4539NF271919

02/15, 02/22, 02/29/2024

NOTICE

OF ABANDONED VEHICLES

The following vehicles listed below will be sold starting March 16th, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. at the location below:

MOSS TOWING
12130 Hwy. 603
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
(228)-467-5227

2009 ACURA TL
VIN# 19UUA86289A026330

2011 NISSAN MAXIMA
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2020 CHEVROLET EQUINOX
VIN# 3GNAXLEX6L5728658

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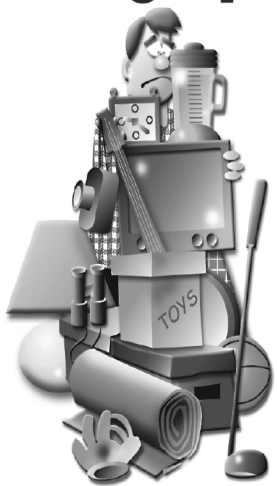
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OF DIAMONDHEAD

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MEET BRUNO!

This dude is a long, lean, expressive fella! His sleek black & white coat reminds us of the ying-yang symbol, but with a nubby tail and extra large adorable ears. This 6 year old Terrier mix is very athletic and agile, and very treat motivated, so we're thinking he'd be a great candidate for agility or obstacle course training. What a fun BFF Bruno could be! He's also very sweet natured, and loves our staff & volunteers. However, he is thin, so we suspect he had been straying and fending for himself for some time. Because he experienced food insecurity, he tends to be protective of his food, and must be fed completely separated from the other dogs in his living area. He seems particularly uneasy around small dogs. We hope that, in time, Bruno will not feel threatened at mealtime once he understands that he will never be hungry again. Currently, we are recommending that Bruno be the only pet in the home. Additionally, he is best suited to joining a family with older children, (12+ years old). He does seem to be house trained, as he keeps his kennel very clean. If you are looking for a canine best friend and activity partner, then please consider a meet-n-greet with Bruno during our visiting hours: Mon, Wed-Fri 10am-3:30pm. Or, you may call our front desk at 228-466-4516 (Mon-Fri 10am-4pm) to schedule an appointment. Bruno just might be the fun, loving companion you've been seeking.





FEBRUARY 23

• Pine Needle Basket Making at the Crosby Arboretum, 370 Ridge Rd., Picayune. Choose 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. or 1 to 4 p.m. Get started in crafting pine needle baskets with skilled basket maker Denine Jones. Participants will be introduced to basic pine needle basketry techniques and begin a basket in the workshop. Methods and resources will be provided so you may continue to work on your own. A craft kit is included in your fee. Program is best suited to ages 14 and up. Registration is required. Call 601-799-2311 Ext. 0 to sign up. Limited to 12 persons per session. Cost for members \$20; non-members \$25.

FEBRUARY 29

• Join Gulfside Assembly and its community partners as we celebrate Black History, Art and Culture. Black doll and art exhibit from 2 to 5 p.m. at Studio Waveland, located at 228 Coleman Ave., Waveland. For more information or to schedule a tour of the doll and art exhibit, contact Cheryl Thompson, gulfsideassociation@gmail.com, 504-710-4884. Exhibit will be made available at other times for groups of five or more.

MARCH 1

• Women’s Community Support Center’s free employment skill classes new schedule begins in March. WCSC, located off Hwy. 603 in Bay St. Louis, is a non-profit faith based Christian organization committed to helping women, from all walks of life, obtain job and life skills needed to find meaningful employment and break the cycle of poverty. Our Gulf Coast Christian Women’s Job Corps free employment skills program is offered on an eight week schedule. The classes include Bible Study, career skills, relationship building, conflict resolution, computer skills, money management, and now,

new parenting and anger management classes. Our daytime classes will be held on Monday and Tuesday. We will offer an evening class on Mondays from 5 to 8 p.m. In February, we began a new parenting class on Wednesdays from 9 to 11 a.m. and a new anger management class on Tuesdays from 9 to 10 a.m. Most classes have open enrollment at all times. For students and instructors, please call as soon as possible at 228-586-3510. We are in need of female volunteer instructors for all class schedules daytime and nighttime. Training is available at our facility for both our Gulf Coast Christian Women’s Job Corps and Hancock County Correctional Facility instructor courses. We are now accepting inquiries for all positions and can provide training at your convenience. To learn more about our mission and to offer your time or financial support, please visit www.womenscommunitysupport.org or call 228-586-3510.

MARCH 4

• Hancock County Primary (March 12) election candidate forum. Carl Boyanton, Mike Ezell, and Michael McGill. Hosted by Hancock County Republican Women. Begins at 5:30 p.m. at the American Legion Post 503 on Waveland Avenue. Submit questions for candidates until Feb. 29 to hcrwomensclub@gmail.com.

MARCH 6

• Improv 101 with Honey Parker. Wed, March 6, 20, 27, and April 3 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Get class details, register today at rb.gy/ou25u1. If you’re not laughing, you should be. This four week dive into the art of improvisation is designed to get you thinking on your feet, comfortable in front of an audience and laughing out loud. And while improv incorporates skills applicable to the stage, these same rules and thought processes can make you better at critical business and social interactions. The

class will progress through a series of exercises and games that enforce and hone the basic tenets of good improv. The better you get, the more you’ll be able to trust and relaxed in the moment. And in that comes confidence. After the class, students should feel they have the tools to better connect with their audience, better trust themselves. Whether you’ve tried improv before or are looking to shake off the rust, fun will be had. Students will learn the rules of improv, how to think on their feet, how to trust an idea that will come, how to commit to a line of thinking, how to not self-edit, how to be a better listener, how to support others. Honey Parker performed for three years as a core member of the New York based improv group, Short Order Theater doing weekly gigs at both the famed Comedy Cellar and Comic Strip. As a stand up, Honey has appeared on stages in New York and Los Angeles, toured and done TV. In addition to a long career as an advertising creative, she’s written for the screen (large and small) and authored several novels. Almost all of Honey’s writing is comedy based.

MARCH 8

• The Silver Slipper presents Chegadao at the 100 Men Hall at 7 p.m. This Brazilian samba-funk band is sure to turn up the heat on the dance floor. Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door if not sold out. Food for purchase by Big Boyz BBQ and cash/credit bar. Every guest needs a ticket, but if you would like to also reserve a table you may do so at www.https://100menhall.com/collections/tickets/products/chegadao-brazilian. Chegadao will bring a hip-shaking samba-funk. Brent Rose and Scott Myers (New Orleans), Eduardo Tozzatto (Rio de Janeiro), Tedo Oliveira (Salvador Bahia), and Fernando Lim (Brazil) bring an authentic vibe.

MARCH 16

• The Waveland Civic Association’s 60th annual St. Patrick’s Day parade begins at 1 p.m. Parade will line up at Whispering Pines, go down the beach to Nicholson Avenue, up Nicholson onto Central, Central to Coleman, Coleman

to the beach, beach to Waveland Avenue where the parade will end at Elwood Bourgeois Park. Jeeps, golf carts, floats, marching groups are welcome. Pricing and registration at wavelandciviccassociation.com.

MARCH 23

• The St. Stanislaus Booster Club invites you to attend its annual Rockin’ the Bay celebration on Saturday, March 23 from 6 to 11 p.m. The event will take place in the St. Stanislaus cafe and courtyard. Rockin’ the Bay will feature a \$10,000 drawdown, silent auction, live music by Dr. Rock and the Interns, delicious food and drinks, and lots of opportunities for great fellowship. To purchase a drawdown ticket and get more information about the event, visit <https://ststan.com/athletics/booster-club/rockin-the-bay/> •Theatre in the Pass presents Dinah and the Dominoes “A Tribute to ABBA” at 7 p.m. at the Randolph Center, located at 315 Clark Avenue, Pass Christian. \$30. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at www.theatreinthe-passms.org. Find us on Facebook for more information.

May 25

• Watercolor exploration workshop with Kathy Bensabat on May 25 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and May 26 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Watercolor for ages 15 and up. View details and register today at <https://www.hancockarts.org/events-classes#!event/2024/10/5/watercolor-explorations-workshop>. This two-day workshop with artist Kathy Bensabat promises to be a transformative experience. Kathy uses her vast experience and infectious passion for watercolor to guide participants, no matter their love, through the fundamental techniques while encouraging them to tap into their unique artistic voice. Whether you’re a beginner or an experienced watercolorist, this promises to be a lovely experience. You’ll learn and review the basics of watercolor painting while immersing in the beauty of the medium. Students will learn the fundamentals of watercolors; the basics of watercolor painting and beyond; and the beauty of the medium.

JUNE 7

• Painting the Landscape in Pastel with Vicki Lueb, June 7, 8, and 9 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. In this three-day studio workshop for adults, students will learn the essentials for creating successful paintings in pastel. View details and register at <https://www.hancockarts.org/events-classes#!event/2024/6/7/painting-the-landscape-in-pastel>. Instruction emphasizes value and temperature as keys to success. Students will learn underpainting methods to help “nail the values.” Each morning will start with a demonstration, after which, students will work from their own reference photos. There will be plenty of individual instruction/assistance at each student’s easel. This workshop is best suited to students who have had at least some experience with pastels.

OCTOBER 5

• Watercolor exploration workshop with Kathy Bensabat on Oct. 5 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Oct. 6 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Watercolor for ages 15 and up. View details and register today at <https://www.hancockarts.org/events-classes#!event/2024/10/5/watercolor-explorations-workshop>. This two-day workshop with artist Kathy Bensabat promises to be a transformative experience. Kathy uses her vast experience and infectious passion for watercolor to guide participants, no matter their love, through the fundamental techniques while encouraging them to tap into their unique artistic voice. Whether you’re a beginner or an experienced watercolorist, this promises to be a lovely experience. You’ll learn and review the basics of watercolor painting while immersing in the beauty of the medium. Students will learn the fundamentals of watercolors; the basics of watercolor painting and beyond; and the beauty of the medium.

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Local students named to Mississippi State University’s fall 2023 President’s and Dean’s List

SPECIAL TO THE ECHO

More than 4,500 students were named to the fall 2023 President’s List at Mississippi State University. The following local students are included in this honor:

- Meredith Lemasters, of Bay Saint Louis
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- Alex Tabony, of Diamondhead
- Caroline Beckham, of Bay St Louis
- Heaven Favre, of Bay St Louis
- Ryli Cruz, of Bay Saint Louis
- Khoa Nguyen, of Bay St Louis
- Devon Sampson, of Diamondhead
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- Grace Grinnell, of Diamondhead

Students on the President’s List at Mississippi State achieved a 3.80 or better GPA, based on a 4.0 scale, while completing at least 12 semester hours of coursework with no incomplete grades or grades lower than a C. Some students may not appear on this list as a result of requests for privacy from publication through the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act. More than 2,500 students have been named to the fall 2023 Deans’ List at Mississippi State University. The fol-

lowing local students received this honor:

- Lilianne Martin, of Bay St Louis
- Hannah Davis, of Diamondhead
- Hugh Grotkowski, of Diamondhead
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- Leo Seal, of Bay St Louis
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- Lauren LaCroix, of Diamondhead

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To be named to the Deans’ List at Mississippi State, a student must have achieved a GPA between 3.5 and 3.79, based on a 4.0 scale, while completing at least 12 semester hours of coursework with no incomplete grades or grades lower than a C. Some students may not appear on this list as a result of requests for privacy from publication through the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act. About Mississippi State University Mississippi State

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MISSISSIPPI MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION RECEIVES MISSISSIPPI ARTS COMMISSION GRANT

SPECIAL TO THE ECHO

The Mississippi Music Teachers Association was awarded a \$4,250 grant from the Mississippi Arts Commission. This grant is a portion of the more than \$1.75 million in grants the Commission awarded in Fiscal Year 2024 and was used to support the 69th annual MMTA State Conference which was held October 1-2, 2023, at Mississippi State University in

Starkville, as well as the upcoming MMTA Collegiate Competitions, which will be held March 2, 2024, at the University of Southern Mississippi in Hattiesburg. “With the additional funds provided to MAC this fiscal year, we are able to fund 37 more grants that are providing an economic impact for Mississippi communities, the arts, and education throughout the state,” said David Lewis, executive director for the Mississippi Arts Commission. “We are grate-

ful for the support from the Mississippi Legislature and elected officials who helped prioritize the arts in Mississippi.” Mississippi Music Teachers Association is a non-profit, statewide organization whose purpose is to promote music education and professional development of music

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leaders should be encouraged to develop and implement programs and services that support the citizens and grow the community,” he said. “Managing this previously under-utilized space as a Business Resource Center will support these efforts for citizens to work together to plan and collaborate,” he said. During the Ribbon Cutting, the Hancock Chamber will announce a \$75,000 small business grant program supported by Mississippi Power Company that will be awarded to qualifying businesses for marketing and façade improvements at the Chamber’s Mid-Year Meeting on May 16th at Hollywood Casino Gulf Coast. Details on how to apply will be released in March.

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auditing of university courses in French, German, English, history, and mythology for pleasure. “She was a magnificent teacher, who loved her students and loved what she taught, whether it was explaining the intricacies of French and Latin conjugations or mesmerizing classes with a retelling of Les Misérables,” says her daughter, Lorraine de Montluzin, a professor of history at Francis Marion University in Florence, SC, and Secretary-Treasurer of the Board; “and her students consistently won honors with their distinguished academic performance in the National French Test and the National Latin Test.” Believing that the study of foreign languages should include more than grammar and vocabulary, she introduced her classes to the history and culture of France and Rome, with weeks

set aside for French art and music and Roman mythology, complete with trips to New Orleans to visit the City Art Museum and attend performances of the New Orleans Opera, not to mention annual French and Roman banquets and projects ranging from the construction of a model of a typical Alsatian house to the building of a fully functional Roman catapult. “Always she encouraged her students to travel, telling them that if they planned and saved, all of them could see Paris and Versailles or walk through the Forum one day,” adds her daughter. “Dozens of times postcards would arrive with an excited message: ‘I did it, Mrs. de Montluzin! I got to France!’” As Folse has put it, “Mrs. de Montluzin magically opened up the world” for her students. Langenbacker, as first recipient of the scholarship and Vice-President since 2020, has for many years personally met with each winner. “Each year I look for-

ward to presenting the award on behalf of the Board,” she says. “It gives me an opportunity to meet our scholarship recipients and share a bit of the forty-year history of the scholarship. “The recipients are usually surprised to learn Emily de Montluzin was, in fact, my teacher at Bay Senior High. Her legacy as an educator continues as a result of the award bearing her name. I’m honored to have a small role in that.” One award winner sums up her experience in a letter to the board of directors, writing, “The scholarship has given me the opportunity to travel the world, which has always been a dream of mine,” adding, “I would like to thank you for opening those doors for me.” Interested students can find complete information concerning how to apply for the Emily de Montluzin Scholarship by visiting the scholarship’s website, www.demontluzinscholarship.org. All completed applications must be postmarked by no later than

15 March. Previous Winners of the Emily de Montluzin Foreign Language Scholarship 1984: Mary Langenbacker (Bay Senior High School) 1985: George Paul (Bay Senior High School) 1986: J’lene Noto (Our Lady Academy) 1987: Georgiana Dagnall (Our Lady Academy) 1988: Joseph Overall (St. Stanislaus College Prep) 1989: Jennifer Schreiber (Hancock High School) 1990: Stacie Warren (Hancock High School) 1991: Julie Ladner (Bay Senior High School) 1992: Malacia Strom (Bay Senior High School) 1993: Carolyn Watts (Bay Senior High School) 1994: Katherine Edwards (Bay Senior High School) 1995: Jennifer Von Antz (Bay Senior High School) 1996: Amanda Desirée Wilcox (Bay Senior

High School) 1997: Gleeson Murphy, Jr. (Hancock High School) 1998: Rachel Spear (Bay Senior High School) 1999: Luke Payne (Hancock High School) 2000: Heather Wopat (Bay Senior High School) 2001: Melissa Gaines (Bay Senior High School) 2002: Dustin Cody Bankston (Bay Senior High School) 2003: Alicia Asper (Our Lady Academy) 2004: Adair Beany (St. Stanislaus College Prep) 2005: Elizabeth Floyd (Bay Senior High School) 2006: Colleen O’Brien (Our Lady Academy) 2007: Leah Tucker (Our Lady Academy) 2008: Megan Gargiulo (Our Lady Academy) 2009: Charles Guy Wood, Jr. (St. Stanislaus College Prep) 2010: Rebecca Hightower (Hancock High School) 2011: Miranda Adams (Bay Senior High School)

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365 would designate the month of March as “Mississippi Musicians Month.” The bill passed 118-0. Three Representatives presented bills for the first time before the House. Representative Jimmy Fondren (R – Pascagoula) presented House Bill 526, which would allow hunters to wear fluorescent pink as an alternative to orange. The bill passed 110-4.

Representative Rodney Hall (R – Southaven) presented House Bill 80, or the Zeb Hughes Law, which would create a presumption of death for missing persons who have undergone a catastrophic event. Hughes, for whom the bill is named, and Gunner Palmer were two young men from Copiah County who went missing in December 2020 after scouting duck hunting locations on the Mississippi River. HB 80 passed unanimously 121-0. Representative Zachary Grady (R –



Guest Column
By State Representative Brent Anderson

D’Iberville) presented House Bill 1004, which would revise definitions

for the provisions of law that regulate the sex offender registry. The bill passed unanimously 119-0. On Tuesday, former Representative Alyce G. Clarke of Jackson was honored by the House of Representatives and other community leaders with the hanging of her portrait in the House Education Committee Room. Ms. Clarke was the first African American woman elected to the Mississippi Legislature. During her 38 years in the House, she implemented the feder-

al WIC food program, established drug courts, organized school breakfasts and championed the state lottery system. She is the first woman and first African American to have a portrait in the State Capitol. On Thursday, the House honored the Louisville High School Football team for winning the 2023 MHSAA Class 4A State Championship. Representative Carl Mickens (D – Brooksville) presented Coach Tyrone Shorter with House Resolution 29, which congratulated

the team on its accomplishment. Other visitors this week included Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., Alcorn State University Purple and Gold Day, Mississippi Black Women’s Roundtable, Mississippi State Medical Association, Mississippi Association of Physicians Assistants, Mississippi Psychiatric Association, DeSoto County Economic Development Council and Mississippi Public Broadcasting.

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— ROCKS FALL 2-0 AGAINST ST. ANDREW’S —

EPISCOPAL IN CLASS I STATE SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIP

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
STAFF WRITER

The pursuit of state title #13 will have to wait another year as the Saint Stanislaus Rock-A-Chaws stumbled against the Saints of St. Andrew’s Episcopal on Friday, February 16, at Madison Central High School.

The Rocks (16-4-2) entered the game as the Class I South State champions following a 2-1 victory over Sacred Heart last week.

Against St. Andrew’s, the Rocks faced a senior laden squad that played a physical brand of soccer. The Saints scored both goals in the first half at the 18:32 mark and with 14:06 left to take a 2-0 lead into intermission.

In the second half, the Rocks played a solid



PHOTO BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
Class I state runner-up Saint Stanislaus Rock-A-Chaws

and physical game for about 20 minutes but were not able to find the back of the net. The closest shot for SSC was a header by Richard Niolet with 13:50 left to

play that bounced off the crossbar.

SSC head coach Zach Villarubia commented, “St. Andrew’s has a good team. The game went back and forth

for a while before they found their first goal. As the first half progressed, we had opportunities, but we just didn’t finish. At the start of the second half, we creat-

ed some good chances but, again we could not find the back of the net. St. Andrew’s was big and physical and that wears on you after 80 minutes of soccer. I am

very proud of our guys and what we were able to accomplish this year. We return a very solid core group of guys next season as we graduate only a few seniors. Our junior class is a very strong class. Our plan is to be right back here at the end of next year and with a different result.”

In the South State championship game last Tuesday, the Rocks eliminated Sacred Heart 2-1 after leading at half-time 2-0. Richard Niolet and Oren Doxey both scored for the Rocks in the South State title game.

Saint Stanislaus is Mississippi’s winningest soccer program with 12 state championships in program history (1996-97, 2003-04, 2010, 2014-16, 2018, 2020-22).

LADY HAWKS DISPOSE OF WEST JONES 62-48

IN FIRST ROUND, ALL OTHER AREA TEAMS FALL

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
STAFF WRITER

The Hancock Lady Hawks entered the Class 6A playoffs on the hardwood with the same mission that Eliot Ness went after Al Capone almost a century ago which was “Never stop fighting until the fight is done.” All the other area

teams closed the books on the 2023-24 season with losses in the playoffs last week.

BAY HIGH TIGERS

The Tigers traveled to Raymond last Tuesday for first round action against the top-ranked team in Mississippi. The Tigers fell 83-14 to fin-

ish the season 6-24.

The Lady Tigers hosted McComb on Monday, February 12, and picked up a 43-22 victory in first round action in the girls’ Class 4A state playoffs. The Lady Tigers hosted Morton on Friday and stumbled 31-30 ending their season with a 26-6 record.

HANCOCK HAWKS

The Hancock Hawks traveled to Terry on Saturday for a first round game and took one on the chin 62-34 to end their season at 14-18 overall.

The Lady Hawks hosted West Jones in first round action on Friday

night and bounced West Jones from the playoffs with a 62-48 win. This pushed the top ranked girls’ team in Mississippi to 29-1. Brooklyn Cuevas collected 33 points in the victory.

The Lady Hawks are just three wins away from hoisting another gold ball and their first

since 2004.

SAINT STANISLAUS ROCK-A-CHAWS

The Rocks traveled to Crystal Springs last Tuesday for a first round game and fell 55-43 to end their season at 13-13.

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SCHEDULE

THURSDAY 2-22-24

- **Archery:** OLA at Pass Christian, 4:30 p.m.
- **Softball:** Bay High at Long Beach, 6:30 p.m.

FRIDAY 2-23-24

- **Baseball:** Bay High vs Oak Grove, 7 p.m.
- **Baseball:** Saint Stanislaus at D'Iberville, 7 p.m.
- **Basketball:** Hancock vs Forest Hill at MGCCC (2nd round Class 6A girls state playoffs), 5:30 p.m.

SATURDAY 2-24-24

- **Baseball:** Bay High at Quitman, 12 p.m./2 p.m.
- **Baseball:** Saint Stanislaus at Resurrection, 11 a.m./1 a.m.
- **Lacrosse:** Saint Stanislaus vs Archbishop Rummel, 1 p.m.
- **Track and Field:** Prince Jones Relays at Gulfport (SSC), 10 a.m.

MONDAY 2-26-24

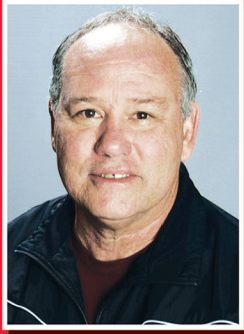
- **Softball:** Bay High vs Biloxi, 6: 30 p.m.

TUESDAY 2-27-24

- **Archery:** OLA vs West Harrison, 4:30 p.m.
- **Baseball:** Bay High at Hancock, 7 p.m.
- **Baseball:** Saint Stanislaus at Newman (LA), 7 p.m.
- **Softball:** Bay High vs Purvis, 6:30 p.m.
- **Softball:** OLA at Gautier, 6:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY 2-28-24

- **Baseball:** Saint Stanislaus at Pascagoula, 7 p.m.



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FORMER ROCK GREAT TYLER ALLEN PROMOTED TO QUARTERBACKS COACH AT WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
STAFF WRITER

Former Saint Stanislaus All-State quarterback Tyler Allen was recently promoted to quarterbacks coach for the West Virginia University football program.



PHOTO COURTESY OF TYLER ALLEN

Allen, who graduated from SSC in 2014, stated, “I am humbled and excited about the opportunity that West Virginia and head coach Neal Brown has bestowed upon me. We have a very talented quarterback room and I am eager to get to work with the young men and help them develop their talents.” Allen was a quarterback for the Rocks from 2011-13 when he threw for 6,913 yards and 74 touchdowns on 455-for-760 passing. He added 1,379 yards rushing and 14 touchdowns on 208 carries. He was named All-State in 2012 and 2013 and was named the state’s Class 4A Offensive Player of the Year. During his senior season, Allen threw for 4,263 yards and 49 touchdowns and rushed 116 times for 862 yards and 11 touchdowns. He led the state in passing yards, total yards, and touchdown passes and was the ninth-ranked

when the Rocks set a then-national high school record for total offense in a single game with 937 yards against Poplarville in an 82-80 loss. Allen played two seasons at Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College before transferring to LSU. He worked as a student assistant coach for the Tigers two years while earning his bachelor’s degree in Business Administration in 2018. During that time, he worked with Danny Etling who was drafted in the seventh round by the New England Patriots. In 2018, Allen served as a graduate assistant coach under Neal Brown at Troy University and followed him to West Virginia where he continued to serve as a graduate assistant working with quarterbacks from January 2019 until 2020 when he was named the quarterbacks coach at Jacksonville

State University. At JSU, Allen was instrumental in all areas of game planning and run-pass-option game and was responsible for recruiting in Atlanta, South Alabama, and Mississippi. The Gamecocks went 10-3 in 2020, won the Ohio Valley Conference championship, and advanced to the quarterfinals of the FCS playoffs. His quarterback, Zion Webb, earned first team All-Conference honors. In 2022, Allen was the assistant offensive line coach at Rice University before returning to West Virginia prior to the 2023 season. In 2023, Allen returned to Morgantown as a offensive analyst and special assistant to the head coach where was responsible for all aspects of game analysis on offense and managed the walk-on program. Allen continued, “It has been a crazy ride to get to this point but a fun one, as well. We have 80% of our offensive production returning. The last eight games of 2023, we were a really good offense. Garrett Greene is a top 10 quarterback coming back and it will be exciting to help him take the next step in his development.” In a release on the promotion of Allen to quarterbacks coach, West Virginia head coach Neal Brown stated, “I am excited that Tyler will be the quarterbacks coach for the Mountaineer football program. I have had the opportunity to work with him for several years and have seen his growth and maturation as a coach on and off the field. He brings a lot of energy and knowledge to the position, having worked closely with our quarterbacks over the last two years. He has more than proven his worth and is a great addition to our on-field coaching staff.” Allen still holds the school record for most yards in a single game with 685 set against Poplarville in 2013.

Allen ended, “West Virginia is a special place with a very passionate fan base. I look forward to continuing to help develop our quarterback room. I am especially grateful to the people and fans back home in Mississippi

who have followed me and continue to support me as I continue to develop as a coach. Watch out for West Virginia.” The Mountaineers are a member of the Big 12 Conference and open the 2024 season with a home game against

Penn State on Saturday, August 31, at Milan Puskar Stadium. West Virginia was 9-4 overall in 2023 and ended the season with a 30-10 victory over North Carolina in the Duke’s Mayo Bowl.

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

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Sawyer Bilbo
BAY HIGH



Mia Middleton
BAY HIGH



Jaylen Antoine
BAY HIGH



Brooklyn Cuevas
HANCOCK

SOCCER PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

The boys' Soccer Player of the Week is Bay High's Sawyer Bilbo. This past week Bilbo had two game winning goals for the Tigers. On Tuesday, Bilbo scored the game winner in the Class 4A South State championship game against the Pass Christian Pirates in overtime. On Saturday, Bilbo scored the lone goal in a 1-0 victory over New Albany for the Class 4A state championship.

The girls' Soccer Player of the Week is Bay High's Mia Middleton. Last week, Middleton scored the Lady Tigers' lone goal in a 2-1 loss to Sumrall in the Class 4A South State championship game.

BASKETBALL PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

The boys' Basketball Player of the Week is Bay High's Jaylen Antoine. Jaylen followed up a great year junior season on the football field with a very productive year in basketball. He finished the year in the top two of every major offensive / defensive category for the Tigers along with a first team all district selection.

The girls' Basketball Player of the Week is Hancock's Brooklyn Cuevas. Last week, Cuevas poured in 33 points in a 62-48 victory over West Jones in the first round of the Class 6A state playoffs.

FORMER SSC STAR BRIAN BUTLER LEADS COLUMBIA BASKETBALL TEAM TO DIVISION TITLE AGAINST ADVERSITY

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
STAFF WRITER

When Brian Butler graduated from Saint Stanislaus in 2002, he took the first step in exiting Bay St. Louis and meeting adversity head on, unbeknownst to him. Butler starred for coaching legend Jay Ladner at Saint Stanislaus, earned three varsity letters, and played on the 2002 state tournament team affectionately referred to as the “Mighty Mites.” He also earned four varsity letter in track and field as a 400m specialist and remains on the record board with the school record 4x400m relay team. He was also named the Mr. Rock-A-Chaw Award recipient in both basketball and track and field. After graduating from college, Butler entered the coaching ranks at Oak Grove High School in Hattiesburg for two seasons. In 2011, he

worked one year with Jay Ladner before Butler took the head coach position at Sacred Heart High School where he served as head basketball coach, head cross country coach, head track and field coach, and Dean of Students. During his time at Sacred Heart, Butler led his 2016 team to the State Tournament in Jackson. In track and field, he mentored teams that won five division titles, five regional titles, five South State titles, and one state runner-up finish. In cross country, his teams won five division titles. He left Sacred Heart for South Jones High School in 2017 where he remained until he took the Columbia job last year. This year, he figured that he would have some carry over success after installing his system the previous year; however, that was not to be the case.

Butler stated, “We entered the season after coming together during summer league play. We had the makings of a few leaders that we were excited to see. But, after a successful football season, we had two starters who signed football scholarships and graduated in December to go to the next level. Then, we had a few contributors go down with injuries. We played our first seven games without our football players. It was not a good start to the season. But, we kept at it rallying behind being resilient.” Butler explained that his young guys entered the season not expecting to play and then were called on to deliver almost immediately. Butler added, “This team learned a lot about resilience and leadership and how it drives you. We

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teachers, music students, and all people of Mississippi. MMTA's annual conference provides Mississippians a venue to come together to experience performances, workshops, and newly composed music, in addition to competitions to develop both student and teacher skills. All performances and competitions held at the annual conference and March competitions are free and open to the public.

MAC's annual grant funds come from the National Endowment for the Arts and the Mississippi State Legislature. Awards were made in 104 Mississippi House of Representatives dis-

tricts and 60 state Senate districts.

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talked about how everything someone wants is on the other side of fear. That the natural comfort of humanity is laziness.”

Butler mentored his young team to understand themselves first. Then, he wanted them to understand why they play the game. And, lastly, why is it important.

Butler commented, “We wanted them to understand why we do what we do and the manner in which we do it. We wanted to develop a level of self-confidence which will help them develop mentally off the court. Our basketball success is the result of a process. Consequently, life is a result of a process. Through-

out the season, we hammered that home but the wins did not come around often.”

In fact, Columbia had managed just a 1-7 division record combined with the loss of starters to next level football and injuries. The Wildcats were the #5-seed in their division tournament.

In the first round of the tournament, they disposed of Purvis 69-63 in exciting fashion. Now, they guaranteed a trip to the playoffs with the win.

In their second round game against Sumrall the excitement continued with a 47-46 victory. They faced top-seeded Lawrence County in the championship game and down went the Cougars 56-53 as Columbia hoisted the championship trophy.

The joyous celebration

did not last long as they fell to Quitman 50-28 in the first round of the Class 4A playoffs, but the lessons had been taught.

Butler ended, “Each year we start with a plain white t-shirt. On the left sleeve, they write what they want to accomplish, on the right sleeve they write their biggest weakness, and on the front they write what they want to become. We practice with that all year so it never leaves us.”

This past season Columbia learned a tremendous amount their young athletic careers and the unfathomable wisdom of their still yet young head coach. If one thing is certain, Brian Butler can't wait to hand out the blank white t-shirts this coming season.

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good to see all the hard work by this team this year get validated with this win today. We have played all season with goals we set and accomplished mostly all of them with a bullseye on our backs as the defending state champion. Now, we begin next year with a bullseye on both the front and back.”

Bay High and New Albany battled to a scoreless first half half. The more physical Tigers had to deal with the technical aspects of New Albany.

Doxey added, “We knew they were a very technical team that made clean passes with lots of movement. We had a game plan to counter that, but we had to stay home and be disciplined with it. That was our test. New Albany had a couple of really nice shots

on goal but Joel Ulrich made two fantastic stops to stop the threat.”

The second half saw more of the same for the first 20 minutes. With about 15 minutes left to play, Sawyer Bilbo collected his second game-winning goal in as many games when he ripped the net off of a header from Aiden Boudro played from a corner kick.

Doxey continued, “Sawyer Bilbo has really stepped up and locked in these last few games for us. He told me that he locked in for about a minute but he picked a great minute to lock in on the ball. His progression throughout the season has been integral for our progression as a team.”

The Tigers faxed adversity as a state championship every night they stepped on the pitch. Doxey ended, “As a staff, we are excited for the players who

embraced the adversity they faced each night. It is difficult to go an entire season undefeated. Very few teams do that. The cold weather forcing an adjustment in the scheduling actually helped us. We were able to pick up three tough games to help us focus. We tied Saint Stanislaus in a game that was well played by both squads and it ended just like it should have. It was great for the players and for both communities. We beat 7A team in Oak Grove which was huge for us. We dropped our only game of the season to Biloxi which was not the game I thought we would lose. Following that game, we wrote the emotions we felt after the loss, placed the cards in a bottle, and carried that to every game in the postseason. We bottled them up because we didn't want to experience them again. That bottle was with us at the state

championship game. The loss helped us win the title because we experienced adversity. We won our first round game 10-0 and then went four games winning one goal games. It doesn't get tighter than that. I am so proud of how this team played and represented. And, a special thank you to the community of Saint Stanislaus who made sure to beckon us to bring a title home to the city. Thank you for the support because our boys felt it.”

The Tigers (24-1-2) had certain goals they set prior to the season which included winning 20 games - check; allow no goals in division play - almost, the Tigers allowed one goal against Poplarville in their final division game to outscore opponents 35-1; go undefeated on the season - almost, a loss to Biloxi prevented that; win a division title - check; and successfully defend

their Class 4A state title - check.

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